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20th Feb.	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
27th "	ORIENTAL	5284	MOLDAVIA	5777
5th Mar.	PERSIA	7951	.....	.....
12th "	PENINSULAR	5294	ARCADIA	6603
19th "	MACEDONIA	10500	.....	.....
26th "	ORIENTAL	5284	AUSTRALIA	6601
2nd Apl.	CALEDONIA	7558	.....	.....
9th "	PENINSULAR	5294	OCEANA	6610
16th "	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
23rd "	ORIENTAL	5284	MONGOLIA	9000
30th "	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
7th May	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7112
14th "	MOLDAVIA	9777	.....	.....
21st "	ORIENTAL	5284	HIMALAYA	6598
28th "	PERSIA	7951	.....	.....

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VILLE DE LA CIOTAT	6,650	Fiaschi	24th Mar. 1904.
OCEANIEN	4,269	Guionnet	21st Apr, 1904.

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AUSTRIA	R. Colledani	7,388	20th Apr. "
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C.	CREWE HALL	4203	Browne	30th Mar.
A.	PROME	5530	F. M'Cay	5th Apl.
C.	HADDON HALL	6220	A. Burn	20th Apl.
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The BALLOT BOX will be OPEN at the Office of the Chamber from 10 A. M. till 4 P. M., on each of the above days.
By Order of the Committee,
FREDERICK NOEL-PATON,
Secretary.
Chamber of Commerce, Bombay, 18th February, 1904.

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The Yokohama Specie Bank, Ld., Bombay, has kindly complied with the request of the Society to act as the Cashiers for the purpose and all contributions will be acknowledged by the Bank on behalf of the Society. The public to suit their purpose may address to any of the Members of the Special Committee for information required.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

THE HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Bombay Gymkhana will be held in the Pavilion, on MONDAY, the 22nd February, 1904, at 6 P.M.
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NOTICE.

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THE HALF YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held at the Race Stand, Mahalukhmi, at 8 A. M., on SATURDAY, 27th February, 1904.
By order,
CECIL GRAY,
Secretary, W. I. T. C.
Bombay, 1st February, 1904.

SALES BY AUCTION.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,
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TO MORROW, SATURDAY, the 20th instant, at 3 p. m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, etc.
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On MONDAY, the 29th inst., at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at No. 4 Gymkhana Chambers, Fort, opposite the Tata Palace, the valuable and handsome teak and blackwood plain and carved household furniture by Robertson and others, rich glass and crockery ware, best plated ware, glass door almyrahs, drawing room cabinets, marble top dressing and wash-hand tables, first rate pictures and oleographs, handsome flower vases and table ornaments brass and iron bedsteads, Hink's and Dimar's table and hanging lamps, rich carpets, etc., etc., the property of W. H. Shaw Esq. proceeding to Europe.
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On WEDNESDAY, the 24th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs CRAWFORD and Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at No. 5 Grant's Building, Lower Colaba, at the Young Men Christian Association Rooms, the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood household furniture, plate ware, crockery and glassware, semi-grand piano by Kaps, cooking stove, carpets, China oil jars, table ornaments, table and hanging lamps, etc.
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LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

SECURITIES—

2 1-2 per cent. Consols	£86 13-16	= — 1-8
2½ do. Reales	£95 3-4	= — 1-4
3½ do. Indian Sterling Loan	£104	= unchanged
3½ per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	£84 1-2	= + 3-16

SILVER—

Spot in London	27 1-2	= unchanged
2 months hence	27 3-16	= do
Spot in New York	59 1-2	= do

EXCHANGES—

Paris cheques	25-20	= — 1-2
Berlin	20-51 3-4	= + 1-4
New York Demand	485 3-4	= + 1-4

DISCOUNTS—

Bank of England	4	= unchanged
3 months' sight Bank Bills	3 1-4	= do
6 " " "	3 1-4	= do
3 " " Fine Trade Bills	3 3-4	= do
6 months' sight Fine Trade Bills	3 7-8	= do

INTEREST—

Day to day loans	2 1-2	= + 1-4
7 day market loans	2 7-8	= — 1-8

Amount paid into the Bank of England about £150,000.

At the Periodical biddings for Council Bills for Rs. 80,00,000 Telegraphic Transfers—

Rs. 38,00,000 were allotted to Calcutta		
Rs. 41,40,00,000	do	Bombay
Rs. Nil	do	Madras
Rs. 80,00,000	At 1s. 4 5-32d.	

Minimum rate received 68 per cent. Average rate 16·16.
Total amount sold during the week Rs. 1,38,30,000
Amount to be allotted next week Rs. 95,00,000
Extra allotments Bills on Bombay Rs. 1,30,000 at 1s. 4 1-8d.
" " on Calcutta " 21,10,000 at 1s. 4 1-8d.

SUGAR—
German granulated 1st marks J.-F. 9 15-15 = + 1-16. Firm.

RUBBER—
Para Rubber 4 4 Value = — 1-4

WHEAT—
White Karachi J.-F. Sellers. 30s. 3d. = — 6d. Easier.
Red Karachi J.-F. Sellers 28s. = 6d. Easier.

RAPESEED—
Yellow Cawnpore A.-M. Buyers 34s. 3d. = — 3d. Firm,

LINSEED—
Linseed Bold. A.-M. Seller 31s. 3 = — 1 1-2d. Easier,

COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 7 1-1 unchanged.

TALLOW—
Finest Australian Beef, 28s.
" Mutton 29s. 3d.
Tone of Auction Dull.

In Liverpool—Cotton Market closed firm. Surats quiet. Manchester firm. Total sales 7,000. Spot 7·08 plus 14. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 9d. Sold on speculation and for Export 500. Imports 9,000. Arrivals closed feverish.

Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-Apl.	Apl-May
6·26	6·87	6·89
+ 4	+ 3	+ 2
May-June	**June.-July.**	**July.-Aug.**
6·91	6·91	6·91
+ 2	+ 2	+ 2
Aug.-Sept	**Sept.-Oct**	**Oct.-Nov.**
6·75	6·18	5·90
+ 1	+ 1	+ 2

In New York—

Receipts at the Port	11,000
Do. last year	24,000
Exports to Great Britain	12,000
Do. do Continent	5,000
Mid-Uplands	13·50 unchanged.
Futures, month of March	13·05 + 51
Do. do. July	13·44 + 51

In New Orleans—

Spot	13 1-4 unchanged
Futures, month of May	13·41 plus 54
Do. do. August	12·85 plus 29
Tone at close	steady.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, for the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m., on Wednesday, February 17th, 1904 :—

Cotton	9,251 bales.
Wheat	20,547 cwts.
Linseed	10,844 "
Rape, Rai and Mustard	3,587 "
Gingellyseed	21,581 "
Poppyseed	10 "
Groundnuts	1,863 "
Castorseed	581 "
Rice	12,233 "
Myrabollams	4,191 "
Cottonseed	971 "
Mowrasood	20 "
Gram	1,045 "
Joowar	3,440 "
Maize	54 "

BOMBAY, FEBRUARY 18.

Exchange—Tone quiet but steady
Bank T.T. ..... 1s. 4 1-8d.
Bank Demand ..... 1s. 4 5-32d.
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D. A.1e. 4 13-32d. to 3-8
Do 6 do do 1s. 4 17-32d
French Francs 8 do 172 1-4
Marks 8 do do 140
Hongkong 30 Days' Sight .....
Shanghai 30 do do ..... } nominal.
Japan 30 do do .....

Government Paper—3½ per cent. Market closed.
Money Market.—Tone quiet.

BANK RATE.

Bank of England since 3rd Sept.			4 per cent.
Bank of Bombay	do	11th Feb.	7 do.
Bank of Bengal	do	21st Jan.	7 do.
Bank of Madras	do	22nd Jan.	7 do.

SEEDS— Rs. a. p.

Linseed.—Tone quiet but steady.

Ready	...	...	5 10 0

Rapeseed,—Tone quiet.

Brown Cawnpore, Ready.			5 5 0
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready.			5 13 0
Yellow Guzerat, Ready...			6 0 0

Poppyseed —Tone quiet.

Ready	...	...	3 11 0

Castorseed—Tone quiet.

Ready	...	...	21 0 0

Gingellyseed.—Tone dull.

Howree Khandeish	...	32	0 0
15 per cent. Mixed	...	30	8 0
25 per cent. "	...	30	0
50 per cent. "	...	28	8 0
Black Kutnee "	...	25	8 0

WHEAT.—Tone steady.

Pissi 91 per cent.	Rs.	29-12
Club I 2. I "	"	29-0
Hard Red "	"	23-8

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone Firmer.

Estimated sales			5,000 bales.
Imports			12,000 "
Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-April		April-May
7·03	7·07		7·09
plus 20	plus 20		plus 20
May-June.	June-July		July-Aug.
7 11	7 11		7·19
plus 20	plus 20		plus 19
Aug.-Sept.	Sept.-Oct.		Oct.-Nov.
6·95	6·33		6·05
plus 20	plus 15		plus 15

COTTON.—The market is steady with prices some Rs. 2 to 3 higher but business is cheeked by the firmness of sellers both for ready and forward delivery. In spot cotton a few transactions are reported at Colaba chiefly in stapled and high grades exporters being the purchasers.

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

					Fine	F.-G.	Gd.	Delivery.
Bengal (H.-G.) (Ry. terms)					234	220	212	25 Feb.
Bengal (M.-G.) (Ry. terms)					234	222	...	do
Sind-Punjab (M.-G.)					...	234	222	... do
Oomrawatee(description)M.-G.					258	254	...	do
Khandeish (M.-G.)					...	234	226	do
Jalgaum do.					...	237	229	do
Khandwa do.					...	251	...	do
Khangaum fair staple (M-G)								
Karanja do. do.					259	253	...	do
Akola do. do.								
Oomras, good staple (M.G.)					272	262	...	do
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (MG)					263	257	...	do
Nagpur Kamptee (M.-G.)					...	266	260	... do
Broach (M.-G.)					...	297	...	27 25 March
Do. (M.-G.)					...	274	...	25 April
wnuggee (M. G					...	265	257	.. 25 May
Do. (M. G.)					...	262	252	.. 25 May
tia (M. G.)					...	244	234	.. 25 Feb.
Dharwar (S.-G.)					...	...	2 9	25 May.
Westerns					...	...	2 0	"

The following is the statement of the Silver Balance in the Bombay Mint for the week ending 17th February :—

	Rs.
Value of Silver held on account of Straits Dollar coinage on the evening of the 10th February	1,14,54,000
Value of Government Silver on do. do.	33,66,000
Total	Rs. 1,48,20,000
Add—Silver received during the week on account of Straits Dollar coinage	19,61,000
Do. do. Government	28,45,000
	48,23,000
	1,83,43,000
Deduct—Dollars tranferred to Custom House for export of the value of	....
Petty items issued for miscellaneous purposes	....
New Coin paid to the Currency Department	....
Do. Sirohi State	34,00,000
	34,00,000
Balance on evening of the 17th Feb. 1904	1,54,43,000

The Balance comprises—	Rs.
Silver held on account of the tenderers	1,19,87,000
Do do Government	34,56,000
	1,54,43,000

There is in addition awaiting Assay—	Rs.
Bullion received for Straits Dollar coinage	....
Bullion belonging to Government	69,05,000
	69,05,000

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

The following report is dated Liverpool, January 28th :—Since we wrote you on the 20th inst., the market has gone on in its headlong course and at the time of writing we have to quote an advance of 63 points. To give at present a faithful picture of the market is extremely difficult, for how is it possible to know what is going on in the brains of the American leaders for that is what it comes to, we must know that. These are the gentlemen who, we are told, hold three millions of paper cotton. They alone can tell us when they will be satisfied. They have now millions behind them and they are in a position to strangle the Cotton Trade. Spinners may run short time, Lancashire may find followers in that direction on the continent, and we see some signs of it here and there; but what effect can a temporary reduction of a few tens of thousands of bales have when the New York and New Orleans bulls take blocks of 20, 30 or 50,000 bales at one stroke. All sound reasoning comes to an end in face of these manœuvres. We can only chronicle the doings of our masters on the other side of the Atlantic. Our friends know that for some days we have recommended the greatest prudence; we per ist in this advice, and say frankly that we have a horrible fear that one of these days there will be a terrific turn of affairs, and perhaps failures right and left. Our correspondents in Memphis and elsewhere telegraph us that the whole country believes that the cliques will force prices up to 20 cents. What folly! Spinners cannot follow that. We have been for months convinced bulls, our friends know it; but there are moments when a serious house must say stop; let us take care; the speculation has got out of hand, it is no longer reasonable. The crop is not sufficient, that's true. It will not be more than 10,500,000 bales, a figure which we adopted at the beginning of December, but after all, at the ridiculous prices which are now predicted the whole world will have to stop buying, and not only that, but those who have actual cotton a surplus of actual cotton will direct it to the two markets which at present guide the movement. The day will come when all those elated bulls will wish to realise their immense profits, but when the last of the bears will have disappeared, and when there will be nobody found on whom these gentlemen can unload their cotton then will come the slump. When shall we have it? Shall we have one at all? Will these operators in New York and New Orleans not receive their cotton from month to month and sell it out of their warehouses direct to the spinner below market price, and thereby maintain the price of futures to the end of the season? These are all suppositions. Our friends will perhaps be able to judge better what is going to happen than we. Everything at persent is chaos, everything is dangerous. The news from Manchester at this very moment seems more encouraging, better demand for yarns and cloth at prices more approaching the present level. This is the only sign of stability, perhaps only temporary. In the meantime our market chroniclers in the newspapers amuse themselves by augmenting or reducing their figures of consumption with every fall or with every advance and the frightened spinner no longer knows what to think. Nor do we. —The only thing which seems clear to us in all this turmoil is that we think November, December 1904, very dear at 6·75d. That is a sale if ever there was one.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed	firm
Surats	quiet
Good Bhownugger	....
The Manchester Market has been	firm
2 1-2 per cent Consols	86 13-16
3 per cent Rentes	96 3-4
3 1-2 per cent Sterling Loan	104
3 1-2 per cent Rupee Papers	61 1-2
Bar Silver	27 1-2

The sum of about £150,000 has been paid into the Bank of England.

THE WEATHER.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M., ON THURSDAY, THE 18TH FEBRUARY.

SUMMARY.

Pressure changes have been small and irregular. The barometer remains considerably below normal in the north.

Winds are variable in direction and the force has been fresh to light.

Temperature.—The maximum is 0° to 7° in excess of normal at Lahore, Dassa and Khandwa and the minimum 7° to 8° at Raipur and Jacobabad. The maximum varied from 91° at Bellary and Khandwa to 77° at Dwarka and Veraval and the minimum from 75° at Cochin to 49° at Lahore and Sirsa.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is cloudy to overcast at most places.

Rain.—Nil.

Weather is generally fine, but skies are, more or less, cloudy in the north.

E. A. KENYON,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(*Bombay Government Gazette*, Feb. 18.)

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

H E the Govr in Council is pleased to appoint Mr Nahnalal Himatram to act as Fifth Grade Deputy Assistant Political Agent Palanpur during the absence on leave of Mr Harilal Lalubhai Thakur pending further orders.

The following Notification by the Govt of India in the Foreign Dept is republished for general information :—

With reference to Foreign Dept Notification No 576-G dated the 10th April 1903 Mr E Somerville Murray Consul for Denmark at Aden resumed charge of his office on the office on the 18th January 1904.

The following Notification by the Govt of India in the Foreign Dept is republished for general information :—

Subject to the confirmation of H M's Government the Governor-General in Council is pleased to recognise the appointment of Mr H T Lodge as Vice-Consul for the United States of America at Bombay.

The following Notifications by the Govt of India in the Foreign Dept is republished for general information :—

Cap H Harrison an Assist Political Agent of the third grade in the Bombay Political service is appointed to officiate as first Assist to the Resident at Baroda with effect from the 6th Feb 1904 vice Mr C N Seddon and during the absence on furlough of Capt H F Jacob or until further orders.

The following Notification by the Govt of India in the Foreign Dept is republished for general information :—

Capt J K Conlon an Assist Political Agent of the third grade in the Bombay Political service is appointed to officiate as Assist to the Resident at Baroda in charg eof the Amreli Mahals with effect from the date of assuming charge vice Cap H Harrison, and until further orders.

H E the Govr in Council is pleased to appointed Mr C N Seddon I C S to be provisionally substantive Fourth Grade Political Agent, taking rank next below Cap F Wodehouse with effect from they date on which he took charge at Baroda.

The Govr in Council is pleased under Sec 27 of the Code of Criminal Procedure 1898 to invest Nr. Gajanan Waman Gadre Mamlatdar taluka Barsi and Magte of the second class in the district of Sholapur with the following additional power specified in the fourth schedule to the said Cods :—Power to commit for trial (Section 206).

The Govr in Council is pleased to appoint Mr C C Dutt B A (Cal) I C S Assit Colr Kolaba on relief to do duty as Assit Judge and Sessions Judge Thana pending further orders.

BOMBAY RACES.

FIFTH DAY, SATURDAY FEBRUARY 20

HORSES STRUCK OUT.

After the publication of Handicap,

The Byculla Club Cup—Min.

The Stand Plate—Gum, Beadsman, Forest, Adelaide, Veneda.

The Second Dealers—Rufat, Idler, Confederacy, Sea mew, Khaderi Bay, Kazim Pasha, Benefactor, Result, Khailan, Spring Ebzid, Rejoice, Mudmie, Nusseb, Cyrus, Sharajoon, Tumbul, Young Shahin and Najeed Flag.

The Bedouin Plate—Oriental, Grey Fox, Najeed.

The Bedouin Plate—Oriental Grep Fox, Najeed.

The Innovation Plate—Min and Bestman II.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS and MEMORIAM Notices (which must be authenticated by the name and address of the senders) is Re 2, for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional line CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

SHOOBRIDGE—February 7, at Bhavnagar, Kathiawar, to Mr and Mrs J O Shoobridge, a daughter.

DEATH.

MATHEW—February 4, at Karachi, Captain Charles Theobald Mathew, 36th Jacob's Horse, son of the late Brigade-Surgeon R G Mathew, Indian Medical Service, aged 31 years.

GOODE—February 11, at Jubbulpore, Central Provinces, Mr C Goode, late Locomotive Foreman, Eastern Indian Railway, aged 61 years and 16 days. (Deeply mourned by a loving and affectionate son and daughter, relations and a large circle of friends.)

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

BANYARD—February 15, at Calcutta, the wife of F A Banyard of twins (girl and boy).

STANLEY-HOWARD—January 29, at Saharanpur, to Mr and Mrs G Stanley-Howard, a son.

MARRIAGES.

MITCHELL—KNIGHT—February 2, at the Old Church, Calcutta, by the Rev Stewart Clarke, assisted by the Rev E T Sandys, Rector St John Mitchell, 4th son of the late Major H E Mitchell, P W D, to Marion Walton, youngest daughter of the late John Walton Knight, of London.

STEELE—O'KEEFFE—February 10, at St Mary's Church, Ootacamund, by the Rev C Bioley, Edwin Arthur, of the Jail Dept, Burma, to Agnes Emily, eldest daughter of J O'Keeffe, Esq, Oregaum, Kolar.

DEATHS.

ARATHOON—February 11, at Umballa, Lucas John Arathoon, Solicitor of Simla, aged 61 year.

NAETADR—February 13, at Krishnagiri, Salem Dt, from Plague, cost a tel while executing his duty office, the Rev K G Theodor Naether, of the Missouri Ev Luth, Mission.

YONGE—February 13, at Kodaikanal, George Langford Yonge, late of the Wynaad and Madras, aged 65 year.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 27m. Sun sets, 6h. 1m. High water, 0-49m., 0-57a. Low water, 6-49m., 6-45a.

P. and O. s.s. Persia, with English mails of 5th inst., due to arrive at 10 a.m.

Municipal Standing Committee, 3-30 p.m.

Harmston's Circus, Esplanade.

FORCES OF A SUNBRAM.—A highly popular lecture will be delivered in the Young Women's Christian Association Hall Wellington Lines tonight at 8, 30, by the Rev Bishop Warren LL. D, of America. There will be no charge for admission.

SERIOUSLY INJURED BY A FALL.—Ladoo, a Hindu girl, aged ten years, residing with her parents on the third floor of a house in Karwar Street, Fort, while looking over the wall of the terrace on Wednesday lost her balance and fell on to the road below, a distance of thirty-six feet. The girl was picked up in an unconscious state and conveyed to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, where she is lying in a precarious state.

A NEW ARRIVAL ROBBED.—Ram Gopal Motiram, a new arrival in Bombay, has reported to the police that on Tuesday he met an old acquaintance of his and went with him to a barber's shop at Kalbadevie to get a shave. While he was having a shave he placed a small brass box containing currency notes for Rs. 250 and three sovereigns on a table by his side. After having had his shave he looked for the box and found it missing, as also his friend.

POSTAL NOTICE.—With effect from the 22nd inst. the Inland Parcel Department of the Bombay General Post Office will be removed to the Times of India Building opposite the Victoria Terminus. A limited number of parcels will be received at the General Post Office and the Parcel Delivery will be made from this office, but the public are advised to post their parcels at the new Parcel Office, as the facilities for receiving parcels at that office will be greater and the hours of posting longer, viz. 7 a.m. to 6 p. m.

ELECTION OF COUNCILLORS.—The following four gentlemen have been nominated for the two seats on the Municipal Corporation allotted to the Fellows of the University :—Mr. Damodar Ganesh Padhye, Mr. Shivram V. Bhandarkar, the Hon. Mr. Chimanlal H. Setalvad, and Mr. Rustom K. R. Kama. The election will take place in the University Hall on Monday, the 22nd instant, between 4 and 6 p.m. At six o'clock the voting papers will be scrutinised by the Registrar, who will return as elected two candidates with the highest number of votes.

A NEW BARRISTER-AT-LAW.—Mr. Shamrao Sakharam Patkar, B. A. (Bombay), Barrat-law, returns to India by the S.S. "Persia" due to-day. He had a very successful University career in Bombay. After graduation he passed the first LL. B. Examination and with a view to become a Solicitor he was articled to the well known firm of Messrs. Crawford, Brown and Co. Later he proceeded to study for the Bar. Mr. Shamrao is a nephew of the late Mr. Sharam Narayan, the Government Pleader, and on his mother's side of the Hon. Dr. R. G. Bhandarkar, M.A., Ph.D., L.L. D., C. I. E.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION APPEAL.

At the Bombay Small Causes Court, yesterday, before Mr. Rustomji Merwanji Patel, Acting Chief Judge, the petition filed by Dr. C. Fernandes, an unsuccessful candidate for the Girgaum Ward, to have the recent ratepayers' election for that Ward set aside by reason of the illegality of the nomination of the Hon. Mr. H. S. Dixit as the successful candidate, was called on for hearing. Mr. Cowasji B. Setna, pleader, appeared for the Hon. Mr. Dixit, while Mr. R. P. Brunton, Municipal Assessor and Collector, represented the Municipality. Mr. Setna by consent of parties asked for postponement till Wednesday next, which was granted.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m. yesterday give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths. from all Causes
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern Fort Southern and Esplanade	9	2	3
B Mandvi, Chuckla, Umarkhadi and Dongri	31	22	46
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada,	34	23	41
D Khetwady, Girgaum, Chowpatty, Walkeshwar and Malabarhill	4	2	11
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamathipura, Tardeo, Byculla, and 1st Nagpada	30	22	40
F Parel, Sewri and Sion	5	1	12
G Mahim and Worli	3	3	13
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	11	13
Total	115	89	183
Total plague deaths to date	265,231	218,198	
Same date last year	151	133	230

PLAGUE PROPHYLACTIC.

The plague prophylactic issued from the Plague Research Laboratory, Bombay, on the 17th inst. was as under :—Agency Surgeon, Shahpura, Rajputana, 200 doses; Laboratory Officer, P. R. Laboratory, 2 doses.

BOMBAY RACES.

FIFTH DAY SATURDAY, FEBRUARY, 20.

HANDICAP.

The Byculla Club—1 mile 5 furlong—Cretonne 9 10, Lock Ellieveden 9 5, Hoop Iron 9 4, Northumberland 8 4, Chillagoe 8 3, Tubal Cain 8 0, Vasto 8 1, Allie 7 3, Trenton 7 1, Corrie Roy 6 0, Min 6 0. Top weight not accepting weights to be raised 4 lbs.

The Turf Club Cup—1 mile 5 furlongs—Mameluke 10 3, Hyderi 8 13, Galland 8 2, Narunjee 8 0, Connaught 7 12, Sandow 7 12, Adonis 6 11, Secunder 6 7, Galston 6 0. Top weight not accepting weights to be raised 7 lbs.

The Small Pony Plate—1-2 Mile—Haydn 9 12, Veera 99, cocos 8 12, Bandicoot 7 4, Sanflower 6 0, Goldan Valley 6 0—Top weight not accepting weights to be raised 8 lbs.

The Innovation Plate—6 furlongs—Lady Avon 10 12, Gentle Lady 10 7, Yankee Boy 9 4, Russley Ross 8 9, Idleness 8 5, Bestman II 8 5, Indabbs 8 4, Matalgila 8 4, Gun Metal 8 2, Jolly Roger 8 1, Minimus 8 0, Min 8 0, Chieftain 7 13, Comeback 7 11, Picture 7 8, Olga 6 9, Key West 6 4, Bandicoot 6 0, Wenk 6 0—Two Top weights not accepting weights to be raised 6 lbs.

The Bedouin Plate—6 furlongs—Bay Middleton 9 12, Achilles 9 3, Rose 8 12, Moon 8 5, Oriental 8 4, Shalbool 8 0, Tigris 7 10, Little Joker 7 9, Napoleon 7 6, Governor 7 4, Grey Fox 7 0, Sirjamal 6 13, Mint 6 9, Delight 6 7, Turn of Luck 6 5, Sweetlip 6 3, Gallib 6 2, Najeed 5 0—Top weight not accepting weights to be raised 7 lbs.

The Stand Plate—6 furlongs—Harpist 9 9, Beadsman 9 4, Kingston 9 0, Adelaide 8 6, Duleimer 8 9, Carreewick 8 6, Planet 8 4, Blue Blood 8 3, Hillsborough 8 2, Gnullo 7 12, Wedlock 7 10, Gun 7 7, Dioptries 7 6, Epitome 7 4, Veneda 7 4, Gally Slave 7 2, Victory 6 3. Top weight not accepting weights to be raised 4 lbs.

THE HON. MR. J. M. DICK.

ENTERTAINED BY EXPORT MERCHANTS.

The Hon. Mr. J. Moncrieff Dick of the firm of Messrs W. and A. Graham and Co., prior to his departure from Bombay was entertained last evening at a party given in his honour by the export merchants associated with the firm and others, at Dariao Mehel, Malabar Hill. Dariao Mehel was tastefully decorated for the occasion with evergreens, palm leaves, and festoons of flowers, and was illuminated with multi-coloured lights, the compound and garden-grounds presenting a brilliant spectacle with Kitson lamps. Representative citizens of all classes and nationalities were present at the entertainment which Messrs Hajee Esmail Goolmahomed, Fazulbhoy Meheralli Chinoy, and other members of the reception committee had spared no pains to make really enjoyable in every respect. Two string bands were in attendance and played during the evening for the amusement of the guests. The Hon. Mr. Dick, when he arrived at the bungalow, was heartily welcomed by the members of the reception committee and cheers greeted him on all sides as he mixed in the large assembly which had gathered to honour him.

Among those present at the entertainment were :—Messrs Arthur Powell, Hampson, Barraclough, Major and Mrs Dyson, Mr and Mrs. F W Bickel, Major and Mrs Meyer, Mr and Mrs Jacob Sassoon, Messrs Abercrombie, P G Messent, Mr and Mrs Tod, Mr, Mrs and Miss Gray, Mr W L Weldon, Mr R G Monteath, Lt-Col and Mrs Collie, Mr and Mrs C H Armstrong, Mr and Mrs Ferguson, Major and Mrs Childe, Mr Arthur Leslie, Mr and Mrs Procter, Mr and Mrs McBain, Rev Alex S Crichton, Mr and Mrs Noel Paton, Mr Justice B Tyebjee, Mr M A Jinnah, the Hon Khan Bahadur Darasha R Chichgar, Messrs Ahmed R Sayani, N N Wadia, Vijbhucandas Atmaram, Naranjee Dvarkadas, Mr. Mrs and Miss B N Kabraji, Messrs Mahomedbhoy Currimbhoy, Maganbhai Goolabchund, Toolsidas Tribhowandas, Ahmedbhoy Habibbhoy, Currimbhoy Ebrahim, Mr, Mrs and the Misses Jamsetjee Cursetjee Jamsetjee, Messrs Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy Ebrahim, Merwanjee A Chinoy, Jehangir P Moos, Jeejeebhoy L Banajee, Sir Dinshaw and Lady Petit, Messrs Cassamalli Jairazbhoy Peerbhoy, Ardesir Merwanjee Madan, Goolamaly Goolam Hoosein, Sir Harkisondass Narotumdass, Mr and Mrs Jamsetji F Kharas, Messrs Hajee Esmail Goolmahomed Fazalbhoy Meheralli Chinoy, etc.

THE ADDRESS.

Some time having been spent in the interchange of social amenities, Mr. Fazalbhoy Meheralli Chinoy read the following address to Mr. Dick :—We the export guarantee brokers and the undersigned merchants dealing in wool, pearls, skins, hides, seeds, &c., and who consign to Europe through the firm of Messrs W. & A. Graham & Co., Bombay, of which you have been the head for some years past, have much pleasure in welcoming you here to-night. The near approach of your departure fills us with mixed feelings of which a sense of impending loss is that which predominates. But rather than dwell on the sorrow with which we contemplate a severance of the ties which have for so long connected us, we beg to take this opportunity of expressing to you our deep and heartfelt gratitude for the kind, consistent and just manner in which you have always dealt with us in all our business transactions with your firm. It has always been indeed a pleasure to us to wait upon you in your office as we were ever perfectly sure of a kindly and cheerful welcome from you, no matter how deeply occupied you might be with the innumerable duties inseparable from the administration of such an extensive firm. And we will never forget the genuine kindliness and considerateness which you uniformly evinced towards us whenever we came before you. Occasional differences of opinion are inevitable in connection with such business as has mutually concerned us; and it has been in connection with such differences that your outstanding qualities of fairness and conciliation have so distinguished you and endeared you to all of us, and we cannot too cordially congratulate you on the just and impartial manner in which you have at once sustained the best traditions of your great firm while guiding us and safeguarding our interests. It is with extreme regret that we face the parting from one who has been to us for so long a period so good a friend, so wise an adviser and so just a master but at the same time we hope that your transference to another sphere of usefulness will bring to you personally a full measure of happiness and health, while we feel sure that wherever you are we and our interests will not be forgotten by you. We now wish you and Mrs. Dick a comfortable voyage, and we pray the Almighty for long life and prosperity to your goodself, to Mrs. Dick and Miss Dick.

MR. DICK'S REPLY.

Mr. Dick in replying to the address said :—Mr. Hajee Esmail Goolmahomed, Mr. Sale Mahomed Dharamsee, Mr. Abdoola Succoorbhai, and all you other gentlemen whose signatures are appended to the address which, on your behalf, Mr. Fazulbhoy Chinoy has just read to me and who have honoured me by an invitation to this gathering I thank you very heartily. I thank you for your most beautifully executed address and for the more than flattering terms in which you refer to the pleasant dealings we have had with each other during the past 8 or 9 years. I thank you also for your kindly reference to Mrs. Dick as well as to our daughter, who remembers some of you very well I do not know how it is with other firms, but it has always been the custom in all the branches of Graham and Co. for the ladies of the firm to know very nearly as much of what goes on in the office as their husbands do (applause), and in so kindly including Mrs. Dick in your good wishes to-night, you are acknowledging as I do every day, the support and help I receive from her in the execution of all my duties, whether official or social. (Applause.) Further, I have to thank you for the splendid reception you have all given me this evening and for the opportunity of meeting our many friends under such pleasant circumstances before we leave Bombay. But most of all gentlemen, I thank you with more depth of feeling than I can put into words for the sentiments of good feeling and kindly regard for me which your invitation, your address, your reception to-night evince. (Hear hear) These, gentlemen, I have coveted. (Loud applause.) These I have striven to obtain, these I have often wondered if I possessed, but the events of this evening leave me in no doubt as to the results of years of work together in your regard for me, and I prize immensely that regard and friendly feeling. You do not need my assurance that the kind words you have said and the warm sentiments of regard and affection you have expressed will always remain fresh in my heart. (Applause.) Most of those who have occupied the position I am vacating have, I think, done part of their training in Bombay as juniors in the firm. I had my training elsewhere and came to take up work with you as a stranger To that extent I was at some disadvantage. Fortunately for me, the training in Karachi was largely in the same branch of the business as that in which I have had the pleasure of working with you, gentlemen, here, and if anything was wanting to make it easy for me to get into smooth working order in Bombay, that want was supplied by finding at the head of the Export Department my old friend and your very good friend, Mr. Framjee Lalcaca. (Hear, hear.) For 2 years together Mr. Framjee and I have watched and supervised the export consignment business, and he will agree with me that in all that time no period has been more satisfactory to us than the last few years in Bombay, when our relations with all you gentlemen, brokers and shippers together, have been steadily improving and our business has been steadily extending To all our shippers I express my hearty recognition of their loyalty and fair dealings with the firm through good times and through bad times. I may say that nothing has caused me more distress than the knowledge that as times losses are being made and in every way I have striven to mitigate the effect of these bad times which must occur to every merchant, I cordially acknowledge the unceasing energy and activity of Mr. Abdoola Succoorbhai and the junior partners in the Guarantee Brokers Firm, Mr. Hunsraj and Mr. Toolsidas. Equally I have noted with admiration the sound commonsense and good judgment of Mr. Salemahomed Dharamsey. Greatly have I appreciated the honourable and straightforward dealings in every instance of Mr. Haji Esmail Gool Mahomed That the past years have resulted in the enhancement of the prestige and position of these gentlemen will always be a source of lasting satisfaction to my partners and to myself. You have referred, gentlemen, to occasional difference of opinion and have been kind enough to express approval of my conciliatory attitude in the face of such differences. I often felt I was much too conciliatory. I dare say you have often thought that I was not sufficiently so. But looking back on the past years in the light of the kind manner in which you have referred to my action in this regard I do not regret any concession made which resulted in the amicable settlement of any difference of opinion. (Hear, hear.) For, gentlemen it is one of the fondest traditions of Graham and Co. that success in business is only to be attained by the cultivation of the most friendly relations with all their constituents, and that only in the success and well being of the merchants with whom they deal can any good result to themselves. (Loud applause.) I had hoped when leaving you to be going to London where your interests would still continue to be my daily concern. For the present this is not to be, I still hope it may be at no very distant date. But wherever I am you may confidently count upon my remembrance of you and my desire to forward your interests in every way. (Applause.) I leave you with genuine regret and sorrow. If your relations with me have been satisfactory, mine with you all have been equally pleasant and cordial. When saying goodbye now I trust, gentlemen, that the future holds much good for you all and that perhaps it may permit us to meet again. I thank you all once more most heartily. (Loud applause.)

The party afterwards adjourned to the refreshment tables, and dispersed at a late hour.

A BAILIFF AND HIS PRISONER.

ESCAPING FROM ARREST.

At the Esplanade Police Court yesterday, Mr. J. Sanders Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, disposed of the case in which Mahomed Ismail Curtay, an assistant managing clerk in the employ of Messrs. Captain and Vaidya, solicitors, charged Shamshudin Pathan, Bairudin Pathan, Abdul Rahim Pathan and Mahomed Yusaf Chorghay, the first with escaping from lawful custody on the 16th December last, and the rest with aiding and abetting his escape. Mr. Velinker, pleader, appeared for the complainant, and Mr. Acworth, of Messrs. Little and Co., solicitors, appeared for the first three accused, and Mr. Byrne, of Messrs. Smetham, Byrne and Noble, solicitors, appeared for the fourth accused.

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RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

ADMIRAL ALEXEIEFF'S removal of his head-quarters to Harbin signifies nothing but that he has carried out his original intention of making that town the base of his operations. He has not run away out of fear of being locked up in Port Arthur, but merely with the idea of taking up the only possible position whence he could direct affairs both at Port Arthur and Vladivostock. Harbin stands at the junction of the Trans-Manchurian line whose terminus is at Vladivostock and the Central Manchurian line terminating at Port Arthur. It was from that point that the two railways were constructed, and the town is even more suited to-day for the accumulation of stores and munitions of war than it was for railway material a couple of years ago. The place was destined for the very purpose to which it is now about to be applied. Troops have poured into it almost continuously for the past four years, and along both lines they have been accommodated in barracks and blockhouses. It is incorrect to say that the line is unsuitable for the traffic likely to be put upon it, for it is a notorious fact that between Harbin and Port Arthur very much heavier rails were laid than are in use on the Siberian Railway : indeed all those through Manchuria are one-third heavier than those in common use in European Russia. When the line was first opened much of the work was only of a temporary kind, and damage was constantly being done to the provisional wooden bridges spanning rivers by the rising of the waters during heavy rains. But four years have elapsed since then and vast improvements have been made. The breakdown of the railway has been foretold, but we do not suppose it will come about either by stress of traffic or Tongus treachery at anything like so early a stage in the proceedings as is imagined. The strengthening of the fortifications of Newchwang is a wise proceeding in view of the possibility of the Japanese carrying out their alleged intention of getting northward of Port Arthur, and the reorganisation of the naval, if not the military, command seems an inevitable step after the incidents of the past few days. The statement that Vladivostock is not prepared to resist an attack may be very liberally discounted. At the present time it is frozen up and ten torpedo gunboats may be in the ice, but it is not probable that any occasion to resist will present itself for at least a couple of months. Meantime Japanese military preparations proceed apace, and we can believe the "Times" correspondent at Tokio that an immense enterprise is afoot.

From Moscow we learn that Russian opinion is indifferent and uninterested in regard to the war. The wish, we feel, is father to the thought, and the statement is hardly consistent with the prevalence of a financial panic of which we heard the other day. Nor is it consistent with the report that the Governor of Turkestan has been instructed to prepare for possible military action in the direction of India in the event of Great Britain adopting an attitude openly hostile to Russia, or attempting any enterprise in Persia or Thibet prejudicial to Russian interests. It may have been stated at St. Petersburg that General Ivanoff has received these instructions, but we attach no more importance to the statement than to that from Singapore, the other day, as to the Gargantuan achievements of the Cossacks at Kinchow. Government paper need not be affected by the rumour ; neither need it by the statement that circumstances point to the imminent construction of a railway from New Chaman to Kandahar. Of course everything is, and long has been, ready for the construction of a strategical railway to Kandahar and rails are laid pointing straight in that direction. But the fact that the natives of India are praying to their gods for the success of the Japanese arms is as much calculated to perturb Russians, who imagine the invasion of India possible, as the allegation that the early construction of a railway to Kandahar is contemplated by Great Britain. Russia in the Far East has quite as much on hand as she can deal with, and when we remember that she cannot look with complacence on the existing state of affairs in the Balkans, we need attach no importance to cheap bluster of the kind St. Petersburg correspondents send along the wires. Korea evidently appreciates the situation at its true value, for she opens the port of Wiju, a proceeding upon which we presume we shall be asked to believe Russia regards with indifference—the same also with regard to the outrage in the Baku Armenian church.

Reuter's telegram which reports the renewed attack on Port Arthur on Sunday is confirmed by the message received by the Japanese Consul. The latter telegram goes farther than the former, but only in the matter of detail, and it is remarkable that the Japanese versions have never been proved exaggerated. The same cannot be said of Russian reports. We do not think that Russia need be blamed for the wholesale arrest of Japanese in Manchuria, but we decline to believe that they include so many as a hundred spies ; much less that sixty of them belong to the Japanese General Staff. Being Japanese they are patriotic and would no doubt be willing to undertake any venture for the benefit of their country, but they have little occasion to act as spies ; the movements of the Russian troops—and ships—are perfectly well known, and to treat their captives as spies would be wholly unjustifiable. The General Staff cannot afford to devote so many of its members to the work as are said to be among the prisoners. Let them be deported as aliens or detained as prisoners of war. Nothing more would be justifiable. That Russians at Port Arthur are exasperated there can be little doubt, for of the fleet there now, no less than eleven have been put out of action. As to the danger to Port Arthur, Lord Ronaldshay, who recently returned to England from the Far East, wrote the other day : "It is not necessary to be a military expert to recognise that Port Arthur is practically impregnable. The chief danger is of its being starved out and cut off by a breach in the lines of communications. The only way in which Port Arthur could be taken would be by landing troops north of Dalny and establishing across the peninsula a cordon in the rear while simultaneously blockading the place from the Sea." And that is what Russia supposes Japan is now aiming at.

BOMBAY LOCAL BOARDS.

THE existence of a condition of affairs in the Presidency better than in the years immediately preceding was visible last year in the work which the Local Boards were able to do. The finances of the Boards showed no direct improvement in local revenues, but Government made special grants to all the authorities, amounting in the aggregate to seven and a half lakhs of rupees. These advances enabled the Boards to increase their expenditure, more especially on education and on much needed civil works. The total income of these Boards during 1902-1903 was Rs. 48,96,941 and the expenditure Rs. 44,89,972, the latter being nearly four and a quarter lakhs in excess of the previous year's outlay. The expenditure on education amounted to Rs. 4,94,392, and it is satisfactory to observe that among the various educational items on which attention was bestowed technical education in the villages was not entirely neglected. The Bijapur District Board, it is interesting to note, spent Rs. 3,600 in teaching the local hand-loom weavers the use of the fly shuttle loom. Thirty-three weavers were so instructed and two of them became so expert that they are able to teach others. Those who desire to see the native crafts flourish are convinced that the hand-loom weaving industry will experience a considerable revival if the fly shuttle can be generally introduced. On civil works the outlay by the Local Boards amounted to Rs. 21,68,632, an increase of Rs. 3,42,392 compared with the previous year. Nearly half the entire expenditure, in fact, was devoted to public works, the construction and maintenance of roads accounting for 32 1-2 per cent. of the total outlay. The great necessity for these road improvements after several years when public works of all kinds had to give way before the demands made by famine and plague is indicated by the statement in the Government resolution that, despite the sums expended, no large or noteworthy work of public utility was carried out by the Boards during the year. Famine no longer exists, but plague is still as bad as ever, and with so much lee-way to make up, progress in regard to much needed public works must necessarily be slow. The grants made by Government have left some of the Boards with substantial balances, but others are still in a condition of financial difficulty. The former are, however, not to be permitted to accumulate funds too largely when there is so much work to be done.

THE DESTRUCTION OF AALESUND.

THE destruction of St. Pierre recalled the blotting out of Pompeii in the sudden death which overtook the people of the doomed city. Happily the fate which has overtaken the Norwegian town of Aalesund was attended by less tragic circumstances. Fire consumed the town from end to end, but the inhabitants were able to escape, only two deaths being recorded. The fire began during the night and being fanned by a strong breeze quickly destroyed houses and public buildings, most of which were constructed of wood. So rapid was the progress of the flames that the people had only time to rush from their houses, all attempts to save property having to be abandoned under the more pressing need to save life. The sufferings of the twelve thousand people who were suddenly compelled to seek refuge, scantily clad, in the open fields under the Arctic conditions of a Norwegian winter's night, may be easily realised. The gale which fanned the flames brought terrible distress to men, women, and children, who, shivering in the fields, saw the destruction of everything they possessed. The next morning they were taken on board steamers and succour for the homeless population was then speedily forthcoming. Public and private agencies quickly despatched food and clothing for the refugees, and the people being a hardy race, not given to repining over misfortune, projects were soon on foot for rebuilding the city. The catastrophe is believed to have been caused by two drunken labourers who set fire to a preserve factory. Once started, attempts to check the outburst became impossible, and the fire engines were burnt up while they were being got ready. Most of the small craft in the harbour were destroyed, some few escaping and others being sunk by their crews to prevent total destruction by the fire. The small loss of life was due to the early perception of the people that efforts to save their belongings were hopeless and could only result in death. With the assistance that has poured in to the sufferers a new and improved Aalesund should quickly arise on the ashes of the old town. In 1886 Skien, the birthplace of Ibsen, was burned to the ground, but it was not long before the sturdy Norse folk had raised up a new and finer city. This is what will happen at Aalesund, although the immediate losses to the people are estimated at a million and a quarter sterling.

THE HEALTH OF BOMBAY.

THE mortality of the City of Bombay continues to increase in accordance with the tendency usually displayed towards the end of the cold season, but the figures, though exceedingly high, are still much below those of previous years. From a total of 938 recorded seven days ago the number of deaths have increased this week to 1,136, practically 200 or over 20 per cent. Most of this increase is due to the enhanced plague figures, but unfortunately the City's health is now not at all good in respect of diseases of the respiratory organs. The figures still compare favourably with those of last year, and exceedingly so in respect of the five years' mean. In the one case there is a decline of 478 deaths, and in the other a decrease of no less than 765. This improved state of affairs cannot now be attributed to any great extent to a decline of the plague ; it is rather due to an all-round improvement in the City's health. However, a mortality rate of 76·12 per thousand per annum cannot be regarded with anything like satisfaction. Plague was responsible for 550 deaths last week, an increase of 131 over the preceding seven days, but a decline as regards last year and the average for the five years of 338 and 201 respectively. The disease is still extremely virulent in B and C Divisions of the City. The districts recording the highest number of deaths during the seven days are Umarkhadi, Bhuleshwar and Kamatipura, each of which register 41 fatal cases. In Byculla there were 38 plague deaths, in Mandvi 33, and in the Chakla, Dongri, and the Market, 31 each. The plague mortality last week was practically 50 per cent. of the total, so that the death-rate in the City due to this disease alone amounted to 38 per thousand per annum. Fevers increased rather considerably, and were particularly virulent in Umarkhadi, and the City is no better off in this respect than was the case last year. There was also an increase in respect of phthisis and diseases of the lungs generally, the figures being 55 in excess of those of last week. There were five deaths amongst the Europeans, the death-rate for that community being 21·18 ; and there were four births. The communities which suffered most severely last week were the Jains, the Bhatias, and the Mussulmans. The birth-rate declined rather considerably.

The ballot at the Bombay Chamber of Commerce yesterday for a Trustee of the Port to act during the absence of Mr. Frank Ritchie, resulted in the election of Mr. W. C. Symes of the P. and O. S. N. Company.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending February 16th was 1136, giving a death-rate of 76·12 per annum per thousand as against 108·15, the corresponding period of last year, and 124·51, the average over the past five years. Of the total number 66 died from fevers; 550, plague; 5, small-pox ; 5, measles ; 0, cholera ; 5, leprosy ; 55, phthisis ; 47, diseases of the nervous system ; 182, affections of the respiratory organs ; 33, diarrhœa ; 11, dysentery ; 45, still-born ; 87, old age and debility ; 14, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows :—Jain, 39 ; Brahmin, 31 ; Lingaet, 1 ; Bhattia, 13 ; Hindu of other caste, 582 ; Hindu low-caste, 103 ; Musalman, 294 ; Parsee, 26 ; Jew, 2 ; Native Christian, 30 ; Eurasian, 5 ; European, 5 ; and Negro-African 2. The total number of births was 263, as against 269, the corresponding period of last year, and 249 the average over the past five years.

IT is stated that the Pope has decided to publish an annual budget dealing with receipts from Peter's Pence, and showing how they are expended.

THE Pope is sending copies of a full-length portrait in oil of himself by M. Lippary, of Vienna, to the German Emperor and the Emperors of Russia and Austria, together with an autograph letter. Similar portraits are being prepared for presentation to King Edward and to King Alfonso of Spain.

THE Royal College of Surgeons are sending a letter to the Physical Deterioration Committee insisting on the importance of measures which may improve the physique of the poorer classes. And in reply to a request that the college should appoint two surgeons to give evidence as to the condition of the eyes and other matters in relation to the health of those classes, the college has selected Mr. John Tweedy, its president, and Sir Alfred Cooper, the vice-president. The ridiculous thing is that when the Royal Commission is finally appointed everything will have to be done over again.

CYANIDE of potassium and hydrocyanic or prussic acid are considered by the public to be about the most poisonous of known substances. This is quite an error. They are the most rapidly acting of all poisons, but not the most potent. One drop of pure prussic acid, dropped into the eye of a large dog, will kill it within two seconds and such a dose will kill a man. But there is an alkaloid in aconite root called pseudaconitine, one three-hundredth part of a grain of which will kill a moderate-sized animal. This is the deadliest poison known ; three hundred times as toxic as prussic acid. Both are painless.

THE arrest of a Munich medical man at Genoa on a charge of poisoning his wife while on the honeymoon trip, in a hotel at Lugano, has produced much sensation in Switzerland. A great deal of mystery is attached to the affair, which took place two months ago, and conflicting accounts are current. It is stated that two Swiss doctors attributed the cause of death to heart disease. The corpse was cremated at Zurich by the German doctor's orders. The parents of the bride, it is alleged, received a communication from their daughter just before her death to the effect that she had suspicions of her husband's intention to poison her.

THE German Reichstag has passed a resolution in favour of the payment of its members—about a pound per day of the Session—but it has done this repeatedly before without result. A resolution of the Reichstag is nothing without the sanction of the Federal Council, which represents the allied Sovereigns of Germany and constitutes the "Upper Chamber" of the Legislature, and the Federal Council—i.e., the Imperial Government—has always been against the principle of payment of members. Rather than admit this principle into the Constitution, when it was being framed, Bismarck threatened to wreck it altogether, and his opposition has been continued by the Imperial Government ever since. Bismarck's chief argument against the payment of members—as exemplified by the practice in the Prussian Chamber, of which the members receive about fifteen marks a day—was that it tended to create a class of more professional politicians who "lived, not in order to make laws, but made laws in order to live." The Prussian Constitution was framed under stress of the Revolution of 48—hence the dole given to deputies ; while the Imperial Constitution, with its universal suffrage, was a free gift from the Federal Governments to the German people after the French War.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES.

THE AMBASSADORS by Henry James (Methuen) is in the author's most analytical vein. It is difficult to believe that any one but Mr. James himself could see so many sides of a question as Maria Gostray and Strether do from the moment they first meet casually in a hotel in Chester. Their friendship, and almost more, grows in the marvellous manner that two people gifted with such delicate preceptions would affect. It is difficult for the reader, eager to grasp facts and "situations nettes," to keep up a living interest in such shadowy people, who glide over the obvious and convey the deepest meanings with a butterfly wing touch. The problems of life do certainly affect them, and must be of as much import as they are to others, but they do not betray the fact in their veiled speech. They meet the tragic element with more than calmness, they dissect it and relegate each of its component parts to the exact quarter from which it came. The effort made by Strether to rouse his young friend Chad Newsome to a sense of his duty to his family is pathetic, and the manner in which Strether accepts his defeat and the careless, almost joyous, disregard of Chad for the point of view that Strether tries to bring him to see is excusable to a great extent when it is remembered that it would have taken a man equally refined in sentiment to realise it as the analytical mentor did and that Chad was just of the common place, handsome type of young man whose conscience troubles him little, as long as his friends and the world are pleasant, and the woman he cares for smiles on him. Miss Gostray is the victim and the being of finest character and of most interest in the book. We wish that Mr. James could be induced to give us a group of individuals who were not shredded out quite so fine. Their hearts may be laid as bare as he wishes and microscopically set out for our delectation, but let them put in words their feelings, not the wavering impulses and complex thoughts that flit for moments through their consciousness and tangle the meaning of their dialogue. Henry James has refined until very little faulty human sentiment remains in his characters.

THE IDOL OF THE TOWN by William le Queux (George Bell and Sons) is a tale told by an adventurer who was deep in the black list of the police. The life led by him and his companions in England and on the Continent, which meant risking name and fame on more than shady transactions, was as exciting as it was wicked and unprincipled. There were even lower depths into which still cleverer associates of his had fallen, and an account of whose extraordinary transgressions he gives as frankly as his own. They were all members of what used to be called the swell mob, and gaily laid plans for stealing valuable jewels and robbing rich houses, for cheating at cards in well-appointed villas on the Riviera. When the danger of discovery was imminent, they sought refuge in the lowest purlieus of thieves' quarters at home or abroad. It may be a true picture of such a life and Mr. le Queux contrives to lend a strong atmosphere of reality to it and to interest at the same time. That his hero adopts an honest life at last and finds a good wife from among his former friends is some satisfaction. This is a book to take as a rousing companion in train or steamer.

BROAD VIEWS is a new Monthly which began with the new year. It is edited by Mr. A. P. Sinnett, and deals with all sorts of subjects of general interest without regard to conventional habits of thought. This statement is on the title page, and the contents bear out the ideal of the editor. Sir Charles Elliot writes on "Education and the Religious Imbroglio," the editor on the congenial subject of "The Doctrine of Reincarnation," M. J. Gennadius, late Greek Envoy in England, on "International Arbitration." "The Politics of the Persian Gulf" are confided to the treatment of H. J. Whigham, C. E. Wheeler writes on "Progress," a Cape resident on "South Africa" and minor papers of considerable interest fill the remaining pages. In discussing briefly the Thibet Mission of Colonel Younghusband, the following sentence expresses the reasonable view of the writer :

"For an indefinite future Lhassa could have maintained its isolation, if that isolation had been honestly maintained, but we cannot submit to a system of isolation which applies merely to ourselves."

That is the case in a nutshell. We must quote a paragraph from the article on "Progress" which certainly does not run in a conventional groove :—

There are in the essence only two kinds of education : the one aims at implanting ideas in the growing mind which ideas will obviously be no advance upon those held by the teacher, and will lead to the non-progressive attitude ; the other is the one adopted by an infinitesimal number of teachers, but their paucity is counteracted by the fact that it is the method used by nature herself in the absence of human instructors, and that is to induce the growing intellect to formulate its own ideas. It is because they have been obliged to think for themselves and make their own theories, that persons of neglected education are so often self-assertive, self-reliant, and capable. In fact from this point of view, it is almost as great a misfortune to have been "well brought up" as it is later on in life to be happily married."

Mr. Sinnett's enlightening paper on "Reincarnation" is most interesting, both to the believer in that doctrine and to the sceptic. It is comforting to the man whose life here is a succession of struggles and disappointments to know that—

"The average period between earth lives ranges between 1,500 and 2,000 years. So ample is the provision nature makes for rest after the struggle of material existence, of which each of us must be in need! There are many circumstances which in individual cases may expand or curtail the period of spiritual rest, but it is of the foremost importance to realise that the re-incarnation doctrine as affecting mankind at large, involves no idea of a hurried return to earth that would entangle relationships in a manner repugnant to imagination. In two thousand years, even old acquaintances perhaps, returning to the earth life together, have lost touch with the specific relationships of their last visit."

It must indeed be a case of a vanished hand, and even a haunting memory could scarcely survive these intervals of "rest." This Magazine is published by Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, Trubner and Co., Ld. 43, Gerard Street, Soho, W.

THE ENGLISHWOMAN'S YEAR BOOK (Adam and Charles Black) enters the sixth year of its new issue and the twenty-fourth of its life and is again ably edited by Miss Emily Janes. The book becomes every year a fuller exponent of women's work and interests in England, and as a work of reference it admirably answers many questions anxiously asked by the woman whose centre of life is limited by her home duties, or by the woman who has gone out to meet and take part in more general responsibilities. Miss Janes would be glad if any of the readers of this book would communicate to her any valuable facts bearing upon the subjects in its pages or on any other that might with advantage there be represented. In doing so it will facilitate reference if contributors mention the page of the book to which their communication refers. We would like to suggest that a list of scholarships and exhibitions open to students during the year in the principal educational centres might be given. Such a list would be of inestimable service to the young women who have no time to lose in their educational course, and we offer the suggestion with all submission.

THE "LALIMLI" ENGLISH-URDU DICTIONARY is a bright thought of the Cawnpore Woollen Mills Company. It is published in the belief that it will be of use to new arrivals in India, giving as it does English words in Romanised Urdu ; and it should certainly facilitate the acquisition of a Hindustani vocabulary ; while it draws attention in a very acceptable form to the merits of all the excellent textile products of the publishers. They vouch for the fact that it has been prepared and compiled with extreme care by one of the most eminent and erudite of Oriental Philologists, and that it may be implicitly trusted for strict accuracy and strictness of definition. A succinct list of abbreviations heads the vocabulary, symplifying the use of the auxiliary verbs. Much space is saved by this. The price of the little book bound neatly in brown cloth is one rupee.

IT is stated that the "Daily Chronicle" is about to become a halfpenny paper. In that case the existing journals published at that price will find a new and formidable competitor in this very ably written and well-arranged organ of sane Liberalism. One hears that all the penny papers have been hard hit by their halfpenny rivals, though it is doubtless true that the latter have created an entirely fresh "clientele" for themselves.

BATTLE ON THE YALU.

JAPAN'S LAND SCHEME DEVELOPING.

CONFUSION AT PORT ARTHUR.

RUSSIAN SHIPS AGAIN ATTACKED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, FEBRUARY 18.

Reuter wires from Tientsin that fifteen special trains have left conveying Chinese troops to the frontier.

Six Russian warships passed Gottland in Sweden on the 15th instant going south.

It is reported at Tokio that the Russians have crossed the Korean frontier.

The Russian gunboat Mandjur at Shanghai has been warned to leave but still remains, asserting that she is awaiting the Admiral's orders.

A "Standard" telegram from Tientsin states that a telegram has been received there from Port Arthur stating that the Russian fleet has put to sea.

The Tsar, reviewing the Siberian regiment which is proceeding to the front, made a stirring address to the men, wishing them success and invoking a blessing on Russian arms. His Majesty concluded by saying "Good-bye, my brothers."

The Japanese representative at the St. Louis Exhibition hearing that Russia had abandoned her intention to exhibit, immediately bespoke the Russian space for additional Japanese accommodation.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

Two Japanese destroyers attempted to torpedo the Russian vessels at Port Arthur on the 14th instant. A blinding snow storm baffled the operation and they withdrew after discharging the torpedoes which are believed to have struck one vessel.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 18.

An "Englishman" cable dated London, February 17th, states:—It is officially announced that the Japanese attacked Port Arthur on Sunday.

It is reported that the guardship was torpedoed.

The Japs escaped in a snow storm.

The "Englishman's" correspondent cabling from London to-day says the Japanese land movement is beginning. One hundred thousand troops are landing at Liaotung on Thursday.

ALLAHABAD, FEBRUARY 18.

A special cable from the "Pioneer's" correspondent dated London, the 17th February, states that the "Times" correspondent telegraphing from Port Arthur says that eleven Russian ships have been put out of action.

Parliamentary opinion approves of Lord Lansdowne's suggesting to Count Benckendoroff that Russia should give evidence of her intention to keep her promises.

CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 18.

A special cablegram to the "Indian Daily News" from its London correspondent, dated February 17th, 6-20 p.m., states:—It is reported that over 100,000 Japanese soldiers will embark within the present week from various ports in Japan. Their place of disembarkation is kept a profound secret.

Heavy fighting between the Russian and Japanese forces is reported to have already taken place on the right bank of the Yalu river. No details are yet to hand.

Admiral Alexeieff has issued a stirring order to the Army and Navy, and exhorts the Russian forces to unite in the coming struggle on which so much depends. He reminds them that the eyes of the Tsar and the whole world are upon them, and that the glory of their country is at stake.

The bitterness of Russia against England is increasing daily, and in spite of the denial of the British Admiral the Wei-hai-wei legend is still universally believed.

It seems that the Vladivostock squadron has returned to port.

The "Indian Daily Telegraph's" London correspondent cables:—Japanese transports with a hundred thousand troops on board have left the base ports for Dalny with the object of isolating Port Arthur They are expected to arrive on Thursday.

A Singapore telegram, dated February 18th, says:—The San Francisco liner Coptic was arrested at Nagasaki with Russian stores on board.

CHINA AND THE WAR.

PROPOSED JAPANESE ALLIANCE.

A Colombo telegram dated February 18th states:—A Canton despatch reports a general recrudescence amongst malcontents, both in the Huangtung and Kuangsi provinces, due to the arrival lately of considerable quantities of arms, ammunition and money.

Several new leaders are reported to have joined the rebel bands and infused new life into the rebellion.

A Northern despatch states that the Viceroy, Yuan Shihkai, received recently a secret order from Peking to despatch troops to Chili, on the Manchurian borders, in consequence of which 5,000 men are preparing to start via Shanhaikwan.

The Russian Minister is trying to hoodwink the Chinese Government, saying that the Russian Government have no intention to permanently occupy Manchuria. Therefore they engage to commence the evacuation of the first half of Manchuria in the month of May this year, the second half in August next.

It is reported from Peking that a secret conference was held at the residence of Prince Ching to consider the strained relations between Japan and Russia. The Prince strongly favoured an alliance with Japan, openly joining her and fighting Russia.

This policy was endorsed by Prince Ching after the meeting in a memorial presented to the Dowager-Empress.

As an outcome of the memorial an Imperial Decree was issued to the various Viceroys and Governors of Provinces to mobilize the best armed and the best drilled troops, and to be prepared to send them up without a moment's delay on instructions from Peking.

Siam has made a declaration of neutrality.

OFFICIAL REPORT.

Mr. S. Hayashi, Consul for Japan in Bombay, informs us that he received the following telegram from his Government on Wednesday night:—

"On the 13th February a part of our torpedo-destroyers proceeded towards Port Arthur under cover of a heavy snow storm. At three in the following morning the Asegiri, avoiding obstacle (!), and defying a thick fire from the enemy sent a torpedo at one of the enemy's warships, and after bombarding Sekekoti (?) retreated without damage.

"At about five of the same morning the Hayatory approached near the entrance of the port, and having sighted two of the Russian warships, instantly took aim at one of them and torpedoed it in spite of the enemy's fire, and made a safe retreat with the assurance that the missile took its effect."

SITUATION AT PORT ARTHUR.

Russian Treatment of Refugees.

RUSSIANS AND CHINESE LOOTING.

The following version of what befel a number of Japanese in Port Arthur before they left it for Chefoo by the China N. Company's steamer Wenchow, 898 tons, has been wired to the Consul for Japan, Bombay, who forwards it to us:—

On the night of 8th February the Japanese in Port Arthur were prohibited from embarking on board the British steamer Rasber, Admiral Alexeieff having repeated his order that no Japanese shall leave the port.

On the 9th the Japanese having boarded the S. S. "Wenchow," just arrived from Chefoo, eight Russian soldiers were despatched to keep watch and prevent the Japanese from communicating with the shore. The "Wenchow" was ordered not to leave the harbour.

Some 200 Japanese on board appeared to be dying from starvation, and after repeated applications had been made to the Admiral, they were allowed half a ton of rice and six tins of biscuits on the night of the 10th.

On the 11th the "Wenchow" signalled to the shore for water but received no answer.

On the 13th an application was made for provisions for the babies and women in delicate condition who were on board at least, if not the entire number. Whether this application was allowed or refused does not appear.

On the same day, i.e, the 13th, 103 Japanese arrived in Port Arthur from Harbin by land, deprived of all their belongings by the Russians.

This addition to the number of Japanese in the harbour made matters difficult both for the Japanese through privation and for the Russians owing to the growing difficulty of preserving order. On the 14th, therefore, at 4 p.m., the "Wenchow" was at last permitted to leave, and arrived at Chefoo the next morning.

Port Arthur is in a state of indescribable confusion, both the Russians and the Chinese bandits depriving the people of everything they can lay hands on, and the terror is so widespread that even the Russian shop-keepers are obliged to arm themselves against a possible attack by their own soldiers.

FUND FOR JAPANESE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

The Society of Japanese residents in Bombay announce that they will be glad to receive contributions towards the fund started in aid of the widows and families of the Japanese soldiers and sailors fallen in the war. A committee of the leading members of the local Japanese community has been formed to invite subscriptions. The Yokohama Specie Bank are the treasurers of the local fund.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

During a "Te Deum" in the Armenian church at Baku for the success of the Russian arms, a bomb was thrown at the officiating clergy.

Several persons were wounded, two fatally.

Reuter (Tientsin) says that the Russian version of the wholesale arrest of Japanese in Manchuria is that they include one hundred spies, sixty of whom belong to the Japanese General Staff.

The Japanese Legation is informed that several Japanese vessels were damaged in the first attack on Port Arthur on the 9th instant.

A telegram received at St. Petersburg states that the Japanese are bribing the Tonguses to destroy the Manchurian Railway

Admiral Makaroff left St. Petersburg to-day amid much enthusiasm for the Far East. He supersedes Admiral Stark in command of the fleet at Port Arthur and is accompanied by a large staff, including engineers and naval architects.

WIJU DECLARED OPEN.

Korea has declared Wiju an open port.

BEGUM OF BHOPAL'S PILGRIMAGE.

Escort Attacked by Arabs.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

In connection with the tribal troubles in the vicinity of Medina, the Arabs fired on the escort of the Begum of Bhopal, who was obliged to await the arrival of another caravan before continuing her journey.

REVOLT IN ALBANIA.

Turkish Troops Defeated.

The Turkish authorities are hurrying a large force to Djakova, where the rebellious Albanians have inflicted a serious defeat on Shemsi Pasha who tried to quell the disturbances.

Shemsi Pasha's force numbers 2,500 men and is without provisions or water.

They have already lost 100 men.

The Albanians number 20,000.

WILLIAM WATSON AND CO.'S FAILURE.

The liabilities of Messrs. William Watson and Co. are now estimated at between six hundred and seven hundred thousand pounds.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 18.

The Official Receiver believes that Messrs. William Watson's liabilities are very much heavier than the estimate of between six hundred and seven hundred thousand pounds.

DR. ASUTOSH MUKHODRVAYA will ask at next Friday's meeting of the Viceroy's Legislative Council why the report of the Police Commission has not yet been published and whether it is intended to publish it and, if so, when.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RAND LABOUR.

Debate in Parliament.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 18.

In the House of Commons last night, Mr. Samuels' amendment to the Address opposing Chinese labour in the Transvaal was rejected by 281 against 230 The Transvaal is now enabled to proceed with the importation of Chinese.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA COMPANY.

Balance of Capital Issued.

The British South Africa Company is issuing the balance of its capital in four hundred thousand shares at £111-16-0 in consequence of the stagnation in South Africa, unforeseen outlay and diminished receipts.

CHARGE AGAINST A PLANTER.

MORE EXTRAORDINARY PROCEDURE.

PROTESTS BY JUDGE AND JURY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 18.

The Reid case at Tezpur, Assam, in which a tea planter was tried for assaulting a cooly, terminated yesterday in a manner most unfortunate at a time like the present when public opinion is still strongly excited over the Bain case. As reported in the "Englishman," the Judge summed up the evidence as quite unreliable and said that the case should never have been committed to the Sessions.

The jury then acquitted the accused on the more serious charge and found him guilty upon his own admission of simple hurt, adding a rider protesting against the action of the committing Magistrate in not dealing summarily with the case A fine of Rs 25 was imposed.

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

Mr. E. Somerville Murray, Consul for Denmark at Aden, resumed charge of his office on the 18th January.

The appointment of Mr. Henry Temple Dodge as Vice-Consul for the United States of America at Bombay, is provisionally recognised.

Captain H. Harrison, an Assistant Political Agent of the Third Grade, in the Bombay Political service, is appointed to officiate as First Assistant to the Resident at Baroda with effect from the 6th February, vice Mr. C. N. Seddon and during the absence on furlough of Captain H. F. Jacob, or until further orders.

Captain J. K. Condon, an Assistant Political Agent of the Third Grade, in the Bombay Political service, is appointed to officiate as Assistant to the Resident at Baroda in charge of the Amreli Mahals with effect from the date of assuming charge vice Captain H. Harrison, and until further orders.

Mr. C. N. Seddon, I. C. S., becomes provisionally substantive Fourth Grade Political Agent, taking rank next below Captain E. W Wodehouse, with effect from the date on which he took charge at Baroda.

Mr. C. C. Dutt, B.A., (Cal.), I.C.S., Assistant Collector, Kolaba, on relief, is appointed to do duty as assistant Judge and Sessions Judge, Thana, pending further orders.

Mr. D. G. Ommanney, District Superintendent of Police, Kaira, is granted, with effect from the 16th March, such privilege leave as may be due to him on that date, in combination with furlough for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to twenty months.

Mr. C. C. Boyd, I. C. S., acts as Judge and Sessions Judge, Kanara.

Mr. E. H. E. Leggatt, I. C. S., acts as Judge and Sessions Judge, Hyderabad.

The services of Captain C. S. Lowson, M.B., I.M.S, are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Government of Bombay, for employment in the Jail Department.

Mr. H. P. Grant-Macpherson acts as Junior Assistant Secretary to Government, and to be in charge of the Judicial and Legislative Departments during the absence on deputation of Mr. Joseph Bocarro, or pending further orders.

Mr. R. D. Bell, M. A. (Ed.) I. C. S., on relief, becomes Assistant Collector, Khandesh.

Mr. W. Plunkett, on relief, becomes District Deputy Collector, Nasik.

Mr. C. E. McDonald becomes Fifth Grade Deputy Collector, continuing to do duty as Assistant to the Collector of Income Tax, Bombay.

The Reverend Harold Foote, Garrison Chaplain at the Presidency, is appointed to officiate as Chaplain of Colaba, in addition to his own duties.

Mr. G. A. Gammie, Professor of Botany and Agriculture, College of Science, Poona, is granted privilege leave for three months, in combination with furlough for three months, from the 18th March.

Mr. R. D. Prior, M.A. (Cantab.), Educational Inspector, C. D., is granted three months privilege leave, in combination with furlough for four months and twenty-six days, from the 18th March.

THE NORTH-WEST FRONTIER.

CONCENTRATION OF TROOPS.

A Quetta telegram, dated February 17th, states:—The 36th Bombay Cavalry, from Jacobabad have been ordered to proceed to New Chaman by route march.

The other regiments, European and native, at Quetta have been warned for active service.

A concentration of troops at Chaman is probable.

Inquiries are being made regarding the running of several troop trains daily if necessary.

The Russian Colonel Korniloff arrived here to-day in the same train as the Agent to the Governor-General, who has returned to head-quarters. The former was received at the station by the Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, on behalf of the G. O. C., his arrival having been pre-announced.

The object of this visit is unknown.

Circumstances point to the imminent construction of a railway from New Chaman to Kandahar, for which everything is ready to the minutest detail, even to the name boards for the stations between the two places.

A considerable scare is existent at New Chaman now a-days because of the proceedings of a man from across the border who avers that his wife has run away from him into British territory. He demanded that she should be searched for and made over to him. On the local authorities professing their inability to comply with his request, he said he would do mischief and continue doing it until his wife was restored him. In pursuance of this resolve he, a few days back, took up a position on an unfrequented bye-road which officers of the Chaman garrison use, meaning to shoot a European. But the first man passing was a down country cowman, known generically as a gowalla or ghosi, into whom he put a charge of slugs, killing him and leaving behind some writing on a slip of paper stating his determination, as above noted. Since then he has managed to dig or blow up a portion of the piping of the local waterworks, thereafter getting across the Afghan border, from whence he sends threatening messages. As matters stand there is no way of securing extradition from the Amir's territories, even of murderers.

Major Macdonald, Political Agent, Quetta-Pishin goes to Lahore for the political charge of Sardar Ayub Khan, who is likely to become an important factor in certain eventualities connected with the political situation now rapidly developing.

THE VICEROY'S TOUR.

ASSAM BENGAL RAILWAY.

OPENED BY LORD CURZON.

CHITTAGONG, FEBRUARY 16.

THE Viceroy and Staff left in the Swallow at 1 p.m. and landed at the jetties, when the Viceroy was met by the officers of the Assam Bengal Railway. After inspecting the jetties the Viceroy left by special train for Chittagong station, where he was received by the principal residents at Chittagong and visitors invited by the Assam-Bengal Railway Company. The Viceroy, at the request of Mr. Strachey, Agent of the Railway, then performed the ceremony of driving a spike into a sleeper and declared the line open. The Viceregal party and guests afterwards drove to the Club, where they were entertained at lunch. Towards the conclusion of the lunch Mr. Strachey proposed the Viceroy's health to which the Viceroy replied.

THE VICEROY'S SPEECH.

His Excellency Lord Curzon said:—Mr. Strachey, Ladies, and Gentlemen,—First let me thank you for drinking my health; next let me say how glad I am to see this large company, the largest I imagine that has ever been assembled at a single entertainment at Chittagong (cheers), and to recognise among them so many faces of old acquaintances—made during my previous visits to the Surma and Brahmaputra Valleys (cheers)—who have come down here to testify their interest in this undertaking, and the solidarity of feeling that animates all sections of the community, both in the province of Assam and in this part of Bengal with regard to a scheme that will mean so much in the future for the welfare of both. (Cheers.) Mr. Strachey has just made an interesting and suggestive speech. Speaking in a position of greater freedom and less responsibility than I can claim to occupy, he has touched upon large questions of railway policy and railway finance in which I cannot attempt, on the present occasion, to follow him.

A COSTLY AND DIFFICULT ENTERPRISE.

It will be sufficient for me to say that it has given me the greatest pleasure this afternoon to take part in a ceremony which I believe to be invested with so much importance for the future of the province of Assam and the district and port of Chittagong. (Cheers.) For the last spike which I drove into a sleeper an hour or two ago was the symbol of the completion of one of the costliest and most difficult railway enterprises that have ever been undertaken in India. (Loud cheers.) When the Government of India started some twelve years ago upon the task of constructing the Assam-Bengal Railway through the agency of a company, and of financing it in the main from their own funds, and when the original estimate was framed of not much more than four millions sterling, they little dreamed that it would not be until 1904 that the through connection would be completed from end to end, and that before that end had been reached the bill would have been swollen to a sum of more than nine millions sterling. It is too late now to discuss either the policy of the railway or the general alignment—they were settled at the time, and for them none of us here have any responsibility; and if any one were to tell me that the nine millions might have been spent to greater advantage elsewhere I might not perhaps be disposed to contradict him. Now, however, that the money has been spent, through connection established, and the line opened, our object must be to see that the railway is worked under conditions that will furnish it with the best chance of success, and that will, if possible, in time provide some return for the enormous outlay of public money that has occurred.

A PERSONAL INTEREST.

In a way I have some claim to feel a personal interest in the concluding stage of the process of construction for at different times I have traveled upon almost every section of the line, and have inspected each of the tentacles so to speak that it throws out to the circumference of the area which it is intended to serve. Four years ago I travelled from Gauhati to Lumding a not very interesting section of the railway (laughter) and went on from there so as to see the difficult hill section that was being built through dense jungle southwards towards Badarpur amid a county of shaling rocks, disintegrated soil, and deep ravines. There I was enabled to realise to some extent the nature of the obstacles by which the engineers and workmen were confronted (Cheers.) At another stage in the same journey I struck the Dibrugarh-Sadia Railway in the north and went to your terminus at Makuni. On another occasion I journeyed in ease and comfort on the southern section of the railway from Chandpur to Silchar, and finally Chittagong, so that I may truthfully claim to have taken a sort of birdseye view of your whole system, and to be fairly familiar with its general character and objects. (Cheers.)

HEAVY TOLL OF HUMAN LIFE.

Gentlemen, I do not think that at this moment of congratulation we should forget the heavy toll of human life that this railway has exacted, or the personal labour and sacrifice that it has entailed. The names of no fewer than nine engineers are engraved on the memorial tablet in Chittagong Church—victims to toil, or to a climate that has taxed the strongest constitutions of contractor or miners. Out of each of these classes the railway has also taken its spoil, so true is it that no human enterprise requiring effort or exertion can be carried through without a corresponding price in human blood and that peace has its heroes and sufferers no less than war. They rest from their labours in this distant land; we profit by their sacrifice.

ADVANTAGE OF THE RAILWAY.

Gentlemen,—If we turn to the brighter subject in the future I entertain little doubt that this railway will prove of immense advantage to the province of Assam, linking up its different portions, and providing it with an alternative and shorter route to its maritime outlet at this place, than the noble but circuitous system of waterways upon which it has hitherto relied. I thought that I detected in Mr. Strachey's remarks a faint note of disparagement of the service which the river steamers have hitherto rendered. (Laughter.) No doubt they will be to some extent superseded by the swifter and more expeditious agency which the railway will supply, but do not let us forget the great value of their services in the past and also, let me add in the future. (Cheers.) And for my own part, if I might give a word of advice, it would be that railway companies and river companies should put their heads together and strive by combination rather than by competition to how they can best develop the joint interests of both. (Loud cheers.) However that may be your Railway will enable you to bring down straight to the ocean steamers larger cargoes. I hope than those at present lying alongside of the wharves at Chittagong—bringing down the tea, and, possibly, also the coal from the Brahmaputra Valley, and importing in return the machinery and other articles required for the plantations. (Cheers. You should greatly develop the export of raw jute and rice grown in the low lying plains of Eastern Bengal and Assam, and the import of piece-goods, salt, and kerosine oil As I said yesterday, you should help to make the fortune of Chittagong and Chittagong should help to make yours; while the announcement that I made of the intended benefactions of the Government should convince you that so far as Government can supply the conditions it will be for you and for the port in combination to turn them to advantage as we are willing for you to do so. (Cheers).

AN ERA OF GREAT POSSIBILITIES.

I feel, therefore Gentlemen, that we ought all of us to be in good spirits to-day, for we are inaugurating an era of great possibilities. I am very grateful to the Board of the Company for the handsome entertainment of which we have just partaken, and for the message of welcome that was read out by Mr. Strachey at the station this morning. I hope that Mr. Strachey will convey to the Board our sincere thanks for their hospitality and also our congratulations to its veteran Chairman Sir Richard Strachey who at a time of life when most man have left the field, continues to wear the harness with a courage and a capacity to which it is difficult to find a parallel. (Cheers.) Finally let us congratulate his namesake and relative Mr. Strachey himself that his own long and devoted labours in the interests of this line have been crowned by its completion and let us express the hope that they will receive the reward to which they are entitled, and which we all join in anticipating for them. (Cheers.) In conclusion may I take this opportunity to add a word of thanks for the exceedingly well arranged and generous welcome which has been extended to me by all classes of the community, both yesterday and to-day, in Chittagong. (Loud cheers.)

After lunch the Viceroy and party drove back to the Guide, making a circuit through the chief streets of the town. The carriages for the Viceregal party were very kindly lent by the Maharajah of Hill Tippera. There is to be a dinner party on board the Guide to-night.

ARRIVAL OF THE R. I. M. S. CLIVE.

THE Royal Indian Marine steamer Clive, Commander W. G. Beauchamp, arrived in harbour yesterday from Durban, which port she left on the 31st January and called at Seychelles. She brought the following drafts:—Major Campbell, South Wales Borderers, and 112 men; Captain Cathcart and Lieutenant Thruhill, King's Royal Rifles, and 120 men; Lieutenant Crozier, South Stafford Regiment, and 120 men; Lieutenant Brooke, Connaught Rangers, and 24 men; Lieutenant Willcox, Welsh Regiment, and 23 men; 2nd Lieutenant McMahon, Gloucester Regiment, and 51 men; and Lieutenant Rutherford, R. A. M. C.

BOMBAY CORPORATION.

AN ordinary meeting of the Bombay Corporation was held yesterday afternoon in the Municipal Council Hall, Mr James Macdonald presiding.

HUTS ON KENNEDY SEA FACE.

The Corporation considered memoranda from the Secretary, Bombay Improvement Trust, forwarding excerpts from the proceedings of the meetings of the Trustees held respectively on the 23rd December and 12th and 19th January last.

It was proposed that the excerpts be recorded

Rao Bahadur Dhakji Cashinathji observed that the semi-permanent huts erected by the Improvement Trust on the Kennedy Sea Face for the accommodation of the poor displaced by their operations were not fit for human habitation. Each hut was ten feet by ten feet, which was quite insufficient for a person to live in, cook the food and do all sorts of things necessary for him. Privies had been attached to each row of rooms which he thought was highly objectionable. The huts were hardly attractive enough for the people for whom they had been constructed. He moved an amendment to the effect that the Municipal Commissioner be requested to report whether the huts with privies attached erected by the Improvement Trust on the Kennedy Sea Face were fit for human habitation and whether the Trustees had applied for and obtained the sanction of the Municipality before the huts were erected.

Mr. Hormusji S. Vakil seconded the amendment. He said the huts were expected to last for a year and a half, but in his opinion they would hardly bear the first blow of the monsoon.

On a division the amendment was carried.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Consideration was given to a letter from the Hon. Mr. Daji Abaji Khare, stating that he was unavoidably prevented from attending the meeting of the Corporation for the last three months and requesting the secretary to obtain leave for that period.

It was resolved that Mr. Khare be referred to section 17 (3) of the Act and it be pointed out to him that he had not stated the cause which prevented his attending the meetings of the Corporation.

PRIMARY EDUCATION.

The Corporation considered a letter from the Commissioner and the Municipal Solicitors' letter received therewith regarding the contribution payable by the Corporation for primary education in view of the enhanced Government contribution.

Mr Bhalshanker Nanabhoy moved that this matter be referred to a committee for consideration and report and that the committee, if necessary, might take the opinion of a counsel on the matter. He said the question was whether the Corporation could make a grant of Rs. 14,000 in the middle of an official year. The Municipal Solicitors had advised that they were bound to contribute the enhanced grant, but suggested that if the Corporation approached the Government, they might not insist on them to fulfil their statutory liability.

Rao Bahadur Dhakji Cashinathji did not think it advisable for the Corporation to take counsel's opinion and waste their money and time in view of the very clear and definite opinion given by their solicitors on the question. It was a very trifling sum which the Corporation had been asked to contribute and the Government would most likely refuse their request.

The Hon. Mr. Mehta said it was a legal question on which opinion of counsel very often differed. It was a very important matter in view of future contingencies and therefore it required a very careful consideration.

The proposition on being put to the vote was agreed to

SUPPLY OF CARTS AND BULLOCKS.

The Corporation next considered as an urgent matter a letter from the Commissioner stating that alternative tenders for one year and three years were invited for the supply of labour-carts and bullocks pairs from 1st March 1904 and in response the following firms had sent in tenders: Messrs Tegu Kaya and Co, Messrs Bhojabhai Allarakhia and Co, and Messrs Sitaram Lakshiman and Co. The Commissioner forwarded a tabulated statement showing the rates of all the three tenderers, from which it would be seen that the tender of Messrs Tegu Kaya and Co was the lowest both for one year and for three years. He therefore recommended that the sanction of the Corporation be obtained to a contract for three years being entered into because the money value of the contract at the rates tendered by Messrs Tegu Kaya and Co. for one year would be Rs 1,22,000, while according to their rates for three years it would come to Rs 1,19,000 per annum. There would thus be an annual gain of Rs. 3,000 if the contract was let for three years.

Dr Viegas moved that the tender for three years which was likely to prove advantageous to the Municipality be accepted.

Mr Hormusji Shapurji was of opinion that the contract should only be given for one year, and he moved an amendment to that effect.

The amendment was lost. The original motion was then agreed to with one dissentient.

DUST-BIN CARTS.

Consideration was given to a letter from the Commissioner on the condition, &c., of the dust-bin carts in the city. The Commissioner in his letter states that the Health Officer reports that a certain number of the carts are always under repair in the Workshops, and as the result the department is frequently short of carts. Till recently the Health Department had 1,192 carts and 50 new carts have just been completed bringing the working strength to 1,242, and in my No. 2944 of 4th January 1904 I have, as recommended by the Health Officer, suggested the construction of an additional number of 102 carts. This will bring the total strength to 1,344 which the Health Officer considers sufficient for the present requirements of the City. In my letter above referred to I have given the details of the expenditure involved by the addition of the 102 carts. With a view to introduce an improved type of cart a prize of Rs. 200 was offered in July 1902 for the best design of a dust-bin cart and in response 19 designs were received, out of which two having been adjudged to be the best, two carts were built on the models. These carts are being now tried. I am also considering the question as to whether and if so what better arrangements can be made for constructing and repairing carts.

On the motion of Dr. Master the letter was recorded.

The Corporation then adjourned till 3 p.m. on Monday next.

PRAYERS FOR THE JAPANESE.

A CALCUTTA "MASS" MEETING.

A gratifying—and as we found later—a humorous report reached the head-quarters of this paper on Saturday. Leaflets had been and were being circulated throughout Calcutta calling on the natives of all castes and kinds to attend a huge mass meeting on the maidan at the Ochterlony Monument at 7-30 A. M. on Sunday morning. It was to be a great meeting. Hindus in their thousands, Mahomedans in their tens of thousands, coolies in their hundreds of thousands, were to meet and united by a common feeling of pure joy at the overthrow of Russia "John Company's" hereditary enemy, were to relieve their feelings by chanting loud pæans in praise of the gods for the victories vouchsafed the Japanese arms. It was a stirring thought that all coinless natives were to offer up thanksgiving for the success of a British ally; perversity had given place to understanding, the labours of the Viceroy on behalf of the British Empire, "under Providence the greatest instrument for good the world has seen" had at last been taken in the right spirit and the Bengalis and others were taking this opportunity of expressing their gratitude for blessings received and for blessings to come. Enthusiasm was temporarily checked when someone suggested that they were praising the gods for the victory of Asiatics over Europeans. But there was not the slightest doubt that the meeting was to be held. Circulars were sent out and all preparations made. "Sankirtans" were to be chanted, and then the great assembly solemnly intoning hymns of praise would sweep magnificently and imposingly up the Kalighat Road to the holy Temple where the thanksgivings were to be consummated. Thence, when they had prayed their fill, the mighty gathering would disperse quietly to their homes, meditating with a holy joy on the downfall of the hated Russian and the successes of the beloved Jap. It was to be a great and solemn ceremony. When our representative appeared at the place and hour appointed for the gathering of the hosts, he found a dense mass of some twenty-four Indians—another witness reports twenty-three, but what is one among so many?—blackening the surface of the maidan for yards and yards. So thick was the press that, if the crowd had got out of hand it is doubtful if a native policeman could have controlled them. So great was its extent, that scarce could a small boy with a popgun have shot over the heads of all. But order was preserved and in due time the procession was formed and set out for Kalighat. In so vast a host casualties were almost unavoidable and fourteen overcome by the exertion of struggling to keep their place in the swaying surging mass, fell out while there was yet a long pilgrimage before them. Finally nine foot-sore and dust-laden Babus arrived at Kalighat and share the Dauntless Nine did that for which they came.—"Indian Daily News."

ENORMOUS ODDS placing the first three in different Races. Double Events. Call and see the Prices offered by CHARLES HARDING, 23 Esplanade Road Bombay.

BOMBAY HORSE SHOW.

SECOND DAY'S JUDGING.

The judging in the Bombay Horse Show was continued early yesterday morning. Quite a number of people turned out to witness the disposal of the awards. The classes dealt with were mainly those for Arab Stallions and Brood mares. The judges were Colonel Beaver, Lieutenant-Colonel Morgan A.V.D., and Lieutenant-Colonel Broome and Lieutenant-Colonel Hazleton, A.V.D. There was not much competition in the class for new importations suitable for an officer's charger or hunter. The first award was eventually given to Aga Shamshudin Shah for his bay waler gelding Prestwick, a fine type of hunter. No other award was made in this class. The Arab Stallion class was a fairly good one and it produced a keen contest for the first award, the beautiful bay Arab gelding Havoc and Mr. H. D. Patel's Stallion Black Prince being eventually left in for first award. The former horse was placed first. A good lot also turned out in the polo pony class for animals under 14-1 and other than Arabs and country-breds. The class was easily won by the pretty little black waler mare Lady Avon, the speedy little animal so well known for her successes on the race course. Another well-known black waler mare, Dusky Queen, the property of Captain F D Hunt, was placed second and she was undoubtedly the best of her class apart from Lady Avon. In the Stallion class 14 hands and under only six were paraded and the judges considered them so inferior in quality, bone and substance that they declined to make any award. Subsequently a grey and bay which arrived late were shown, and the judges gave the red rosette to Silver Prince, a grey Arab of good blood, built on the smaller side, with not too much quality. The other horse came under the same category as the first lot shown, and the judges therefore did not make a second award. Another capital class of polo ponies, which included Arabs and C. B's. 14-1 and under, turned out and after keen competition the two horses left in were a pair belonging to Captain Bayford.—Hail Fellow, a bay Arab gelding of pretty proportions, and the grey Arab entire Avatar, which twice this season has carried a gentleman rider past the winning post first on the Bombay race course. The latter horse was placed first, undoubtedly a proper decision; his stable companion took the second prize, and the third was given to Mr. D. N. Graham's pretty bay Arab Haji. The class for brood mares contained a number of splendid animals and gave the judges considerable trouble. The final selection fell upon Susan, a mare purchased only the other day by Mrs. Prier de Saone. It was wanting on condition, but was so good in other respects that the judges came to the conclusion that it should be awarded the red rosette. Only two paraded in the class for new importations, to include Arabs landed in Bombay since July, and the red was given to Havoc, a horse which had been successful in a previous class. The class for brood mares other than Arabs and C. B.'s was won by the racing mare Lady Avon, whose sleek looks and symmetrical shape were so much admired by those around the ring which gave the judges no hesitation, and second honours were also quickly given to Annie Laurie, that other well bred racing country-bred belonging to Messrs. A. Nandji and M. Goculdas. A small field turned out in he class for the best hack, which was won by Nero, a grey Arab belonging to M. L. Barraclough.

Judging recommenced at three o'clock in the afternoon and there was a large attendance. The heat was not nearly so oppressive as was the case upon the first day of the show. Their Excellencies Lord and Lady Lamington and his Highness the Nizam and Staff were among the gathering who witnessed the judging. The first class to be dealt with was that for heavy weight hunters and the choice of the judges eventually fell upon. Lieut. Henderson's chestnut waler mare Husheen. Twilight, the grey Irish mare belonging to Lt.-Col G. H. Bull, was perhaps the best of the lot, but Husheen has been longer in the country, and consequently it was in better condition and secured the verdict on that account. It was a toss-up between Tyke and Jude for third place, but Tyke proved to be the better of the two on various points. In the Arab and Country-bred hunter class for horses and ponies the first award went to the ever victorious Vigilance, shown by Mrs. Beatty, the blue being given to the racer Secunder, the property of J. D. Scott. The class for light weight Hunters was an excellent one. It was well in hand, and the majority of the exhibits were in excellent condition. The judges reduced the number from sixteen to eight, and then made their final selection. Lady Jenkins' Perth, a well mannered bay waler with fine paces, secured the first award, and a smart little gelding Dandy, owned by Major Cleveland, ran her closely. The class for Hunters 14-2 and under was another good one and the red rosette was awarded to Major F. J. M. Edwards' black English gelding Cornet, a well set up horse, which had the good fortune to win from such good animal as Winnal, Mrs. Prier de Saone's brown waler mare. Vigilance again scored in the class for Arabs and country-breds which have hunted with the Bombay Hounds, the blue going to Mr. S. J. Gillum's bay Arab Cactus. Close competition in the class for English and Colonial hunters resulted in a win for Maxim, an excellent bay waler belonging to Miss Anderson. The second award was given to Twilight. The first award in the Brood mare class for Arabs and country-breds went to Mr. Scott's Gentle Lady, a mare which is invincible in the show ring as upon the race course. She was shown against Sultana, a mare of the best Arab strain specially imported by Mr. Douglas Bennet last year and which won in her class twelve months ago. It is noticeable that a fine looking filly of Sultana was also in the show ring yesterday afternoon. A field of twenty-nine entered for the jumping competition for horses. The jumping was hardly up to the standard of that witnessed on Tuesday in the pony competition, but still it was extremely interesting and was well up to the average of previous years. Nineteen started and after the first round three were left in. Of these Mr. W. A. Anderson's Dreadnought cleared all the jumps in fine style and won from Mr. J. H. Symington's Jane, which also jumped remarkably well. The judging concluded with a class for pairs in double harness which was won by his Excellency the Governor with splendidly matched pair. The special prize for the best hunter in the show was given to Major Henderson's chestnut waler mare Husheen and the special for the best filly was awarded to Mr. Douglas Bennet's Zulu, aged fifteen months, a promising young animal out of Sultana.

A number of well-known Bombay tradesmen exhibited samples of their goods in the show enclosure. Messrs. Thompson and Thomas, better known as the Australian Stores, have well laid one stall exhibiting several varieties of foods for horses, and they are making a speciality of Ricksecker's dog-soap, a patent preparation which is being largely prescribed by the veterinary fraternity of Bombay in the cure of mange and other skin diseases of domestic animals. Messrs. MacAlpin and Duggett an assortment of saddlery harness, horse slipping machines and other stable requisites. One of the features of their display was a model horse harnessed with saddlery accessories of their own manufacture. They also exhibited an English built gig. Mr. Dadabhoy Bomanji, carriage builder of Girgaum, had a large exhibit of Bombay made carriages. He also exhibited English materials for the manufacture of carriages and he made a feature of an adjustable buggy specially built by him to order. Mr. H. D. Padamji was the next exhibitor. He showed half a dozen carriages of different designs built by him at his factory in Khetwady, all of them are of good finish and superior workmanship. Mr. Padamji also displayed a ball-bearing axle patented and manufactured by himself which should have a large vogue in this city. It is so constructed that if one of the balls break the axle will not jam, but will continue to revolve without causing trouble. It has many other good points, but the chief of them is its simplicity. It can be removed and replaced by a syce without difficulty. Another feature of this exhibit is a tremendous enamelled cow skin to be used for the covering of carriage tops. The Bombay Cycle Agency are exhibiting some well made carriages built by Messrs. Simpson and Co., of Madras, for whom they are the local agents. These carriages are claimed to be second to none built in India, and for design, elegance and superior finish they equal most of the well

known English carriages imported into India. The Bombay Cycle Agency also exhibit some very nice Electric and Petrol Motor Cars, Motor Cycle and Motettes, Their Electric Landaulette and the 8 H. P. Thomas were much admired, while the celebrated 5 H. P. Oldsmobile, for which they are the sole agents, is a favourite car for those who require a really good car at a moderate price. Their 2 1-2 H. P. Wearwell motette was also drawing a lot of attention. The Bombay Motor Car Co. are also exhibiting a selection of Motor Cars and Motor bicycles. Prominent amongst their automobile exhibits is the popular Raja De Dion, an 8 H. P. car of good finish which has been built in France to suit Indian requirements. They also show their new Mobile Car, a substantially built English car to carry 2 passengers which appeals strongly to one who does not wish to invest in an expensive car.

After the conclusion of the judging the winners were paraded, and the prizes were afterwards distributed by her Excellency Lady Lamington. The following are the details :—

BEST NEW IMPORTATIONS—Best English or Colonia Mare or Gelding suitable for an Officer's Charger or Hunter landed in Bombay since 1st July 1903 by bona fide Horse Shippers for Sale in India.

Aga Shamshudin Shah's Prestwick	1
Lady Jenkins' Hoaxer	0
Mr S Galtrey's The Tyke	0
Mr T L Roberts' Maroney	0
Mr T C Naples	0
Mr R G Bladock's Diddums	0

STALLIONS—Arab Stallions over 14 hands.

Captain F D Hunt's Havoc	1
Mr H D Patel's Black Prince	2
Mr R M Dalal's Nero	3
Mr D N Grahm's Johad	0
Mr Anandji Nandji and M Goculdass Golden Plover	0
Mr R M Dalal's Cyrus	0
Mr Syed Rasheed's Aldine	0
Mr S A Wahed's Shavar	0
Lt-Col Hazleton's Amontillado	0
Khan Bahadur Abdul Razak Bin Curtas's Young Kaiser	0
Captain Bayford's Avatar	0
Mr R Patel's Sultan	0

POLO PONIES—Ponies suitable for Polo 14-1 and under other than Arabs and Country-breds.

Mr J D Scott's Lady Avon	1
Captain F D Hunt's Dusky Queen	2
Captain Hopwood's Little Mary	3
Captain Meynell's Mermaid	0
Mr F A Prevost's Beeswing	0
Captain F D Hunt's Lady Zoe	0
Mr S M McCausland's Sentinal	0
Mr R Reid's Seta	0
Mr T C Naples	0
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Lieut. P G Brown R N, Tightrope	0
Mr W H Anderson Scarlet	0
Mr R Wallace's Heather	0
Mr F N Furdoonji's Nero	0

STALLIONS—Arab Stallions 14 hands and under.

Khan Bahadur Abdul Razak Bin Curtas's Silver Prince	1
Major F J M Edwards Kapzban	0
Mr D N Graham's Haji	0
Captain Meynell, Martinen	0
Mr Anandji Nanji and Goculdass's White Fox	0
Mr P F Fisher's Governor	0
Mr S A Wahed's Advisor	0
Khan Bahadur Abdul Razak Bin Curtas's Bucksheesh	0

POLO PONIES—Arab and C. B. Ponies suitable for Polo 14-2 and under.

Captain Bayford's Avatar	1
Captain Bayford's Hail Fellow	2
Mr D N Graham's Haji	3
Major F J M Edward's Majestic	0
Mr H L Richardson's Peter	0
Mr W E Crum's Peregrine	0
Mr D N Graham's Johad	0
Mr D N Graham's Almas	0
Mr P L Knight's Peppercorn	0
Captain J H M Davie's Lomond	0
Khan Bahadur Abdul Razak Bin Curtas' Khan Bahadur	0
Mr. O. G. Owen's Goblin	0
Mr J St J Graham's Jungli	0

BROOD MARES.—Other classes than Arabs and C. Bs over 14-2.

Mrs. Prior de Saone's Susan	1
Major F J M Edwards' Runaway Girl	2
Mr S A Nathan's Regina	3
Mr F A Reddle's Ladysmith	0
Mr F A Riddle's Guess	0
Lt-Col G H Bull's Twilight	0
Mr N J Gazdar's Becky Sharp	0
Mr S A Nathan, Imperatrix	0
Mr H Gray's Goldie	0
Mr Anandji Nanji's Modesty	0
Mr T C Naples,	0

BEST NEW importations. Best Arab lauded in ombay since 1st July 1903 by bona fide Horse shippers for sale in India.

Captain F D Hunt's Havoc	1
Captain Meynell's Martinet	0

BROOD MARES.—Other classes than Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under.

Mr J D Scott's Lady Avon	1
Mr A Nanji and M Goculdas's Annie Laurie	2
Mr W E Crum's Peewit	0
Mr D N Graham's Lady Lovelace	0
Mr J Gazdar's Dolly Varden	0
Mrs Prier de Saone's Winnal	0
Mr P F Fischer's Atholbrose	0

BEST HACK 14-2 and under (must be the property of a resident in Bombay or neighbourhood who possesses no other Horse &c.).

Mr L Barraclough's Nero	1
Mr S I Gillum's Cactus	C
Mr H St G Scott's Nugget	0
Mrs C A Ellis's Dandy	0

HUNTERS—Light weight Hunters.

Lady Jenkin's Perth	1
Major H F Cleveland's Dandy	2
Miss Anderson's Maxim	3
Lady Jenkins' Hoaxer	0
Major F J M Edwards' Runaway Girl	0
Captain J G Griffith's Gamecock	0
Lt-Col Henderson's Heather	0
Mr G Prier de Saone's Fritz	0
Mr Stauber's Prince	0
Ms S M McCausland's Ambrosine	0
Captain A D Creahg's Sir Hugo	0
Major T E Dyson's Dooley	0
Mr H Gray's Goldie	0
Mr P F Fischer's Dart	0
Mr T C Naples	0
Messrs Moran and Macnab's Bill	0
Major T E Dyson's Dilemma	0

HUNTERS—Heavy-weight Hunters up to 14 stone or over.

Lt-Col Henderson's Husbean	1
Lt-Col G H Bull's Twilight	2
Mr A S Galtrey's The Tyke	3
Mr L E Neame's Jude	0
Mr D N Graham's Spartan	0
Mr W Adams Oram's Regalia	0
Mr R D Settna's Zamin	0
Mr W P Pechey's Othello	0
Mr T L Roberts's Moroney	0
Mr T R Hutchison's Marjory	0
Captain Lord S Stewart Murray's Cæsar	0
Mr TC Naples's	0
Captain J H Crawford's Waverley	0

HUNTERS—Hunters Arab and Country bred (Horse and Pony).

Mrs C A B Beatty's Vigilance	1
Captain J P Hunt's Havoc	2
Mr J D Scott's Szeanier	3
Major F J M Edward's Majestic	0
Mr D N Graham's Haji	0
Mr D N Graham's Johad	0
Mr W E Crum's Greyleg	0
Mr R F R Cooke's Lagassie	0
Mr S J Gillum's Cactus	0
Captain J H M Davie's B P	0
Captain J H M Davie's Lomond	0
Mr J D Scott's Louis	0
Mr S A Wahed's Sidney	0
Miss J Brodie Mills's Alec	0

HUNTERS.—Hunters 14-2 and under.

Major F J M Edwards' Corne	1
Mrs Prier de Saone's Winnal	2
Mr W C Symes' Landrail	3
Lt-Col R Baker's Machree	0
Mr D N Graham's Lady Lovelace	0
Mr D N Graham's Peter	0
Captain Meynell's Marseilles	0
Mrs Grafton Young's Topthorn II	0
Mr F A Prevost's Beeswing	0
Mr O C B Wimbush Jumbo	0
Mr A H Froom's Maud II	0
Mr J L Symons Ekkymowl	0
Mr R Zoid Seta	0
Mr J St J Graham's Piggy	0
Aga Shah Rookh Sh hs Meshk	0
Lieut P G Brown's Tightrope	0
Mr R Wallace's Blazes	0
Mr J D Scott's Lady Avon	0
Mr F N Furdoonji's Nero	0
Mr W C Symes's Flycatcher	0

HUNTERS.—Arabs and Country-breds regularly hunted with the Bombay Hounds.

Mr C A B Beatty's Vigilance	1
Mr S J Gillum's Cactus	2
Mr D N Graham's Haji	2
Mr H L Richardson's Peter	0
Mr W E Crum's Greyleg	0
Mr D N Graham's Petrel	0
Mr D N Graham's Dawn	0
Mr D N Graham's Johad	0
Mr S S Clarke's Marins	0
Mr T F R Cooke's Lagassic	0
Mr L Barraclough's Nero	0
Mr F N Furdoonji's Desperado	0
Captain A D Creagh's Satin	0
Major T E Dyson's Tommy Dod	0
Captain Bayford's Black Strap	0
Mr O G Owen's Banker	0

HUNTERS.—English and Colonials regularly hunted with the Bombay Hounds

Miss Anderson Maxim	1
Lt-Col G H Bull's Twilight	2
Lt-Col Henderson's Heather	3
Lady Jenkins' Perth	0
Mr L E Neame's Jude	0
Mr D N Graham's Spartan	0
Captain Meynell's Mermaid	0
Lt-Col G H Bull's Twilight	0
Lt-Col Henderson's Husbean	0
Mr A H Froom's Maud II	0
Mr P J Corbett's Darius	0
Mr J H Symington's Jane	0
Mr G Prier de Saone's Fritz	0
Mr S M McCausland's Ambrosine	0
Capt A D Creagh, Robert	0
Mr P F Fischer's Dart	0
Mr P F Fischer's Good Boy	0
Mr P F Fischer's Venus	0
Mr O C B Wimbush's Jumbo	0
Mr R W L Dunlop's The Baron	0
Mr R Wallace's Blazes	0
Mr O G Owen's Milady	0
Mr W G Symes's Landrail	0

BROOD MARES.—Arabs and Country-breds

Mr J D Scott's Gentle Lady	1
Captain Grafton Young's Merry Miss	0
Mr Douglas Bennett Sultana	0
Mr D N Bahadurji's Princess	0
Mr M Freillis's Lady Jane	0
Missrs J B H Jessawlla's Princess	0
Missrs J B H Jessawlla, Rebecca	0
Mr Abden Rahman's Gazellie	0
Mr Abdul Gany's Khatoon	0

JUMPING COMPETITIONS—For Horses.

Mr W H Anderson, Dreadnought	1
Mr J H Symington, Jane	2
Mr J L Symons, Blackcock	3

JUMPING COMPETITIONS FOR Horses.

Mr A S Galtrey, The Tyke	0
Mr Adams Oram, Regalia	0
Mr Adams Oram Big Ben	0
Mr J Alston, Neptune	0
Mr Alston, Miss Milligan	0
Mrs Grafton, Young Topthorn II	0
Lt Col Bull, I M S Twilight	0
Mr F N Furdooji, Desperado	0
Mrs C A B Beatty, Vigilance	0
Mr J L Symons, Redwing	0
Mr G Prier de Saone, Fritz	0
Mr T L Roberts, Moroney	0
Mr R D Settna, Zamin	0
Mr S M McCausland, Ambrosine	0
Mr D N Graham, Spartan	0
Mr D N Graham, Petrel	0
Mr D N Graham Lady Lovelace	0
Major H F Cleveland, I M S Douglass	0
Mr T R Hutchison, Marjory	0
Mr P F Fischer, Venus	0
Mr T C Naples	0
Mr T C Naples	0
Mr R M Dalal, Tallyho	0
Miss Anderson, Maxim	0
Ressaldar Kassam Ali Khan, Sprite	0
Messrs Moran and Macnab, Ophir	0

PAIRS IN DOUBLE HARNESS—Pairs Horses and other Arabs and Country-breds.

H E The Governor, Silvia and Lassie	1
Mr Anandji Nanji, Modesty and Hero	2
H E The Governor, Nagar and Nassik	0
Mr J Gazdar, Abundance and Ebonite	0
Mr S A Nathan, Imperator and Kaiser	0
Mrs H Gray, Hector and Ajax	0
Mr S A Wahed, Hugh Hic and Jolly Friar	0

THE DOG SHOW.

An interesting exhibition of dogs was judged on the show ground on the Oval yesterday morning. The quality of the entries generally was up to the average, and the judges—Mr. F. E. Place and the Hon. A. Hill Trevor—had a difficult task in allocating the awards, several hours being spent in covering the fourteen classes which were dealt with. The terrier classes were very strong, the smooth-haired dogs being conspicuously good and numerous. It was unfortunate that no exhibits from Mr. K. ffolliott Powell's kennel entered the show ring. This gentleman had entered in the wire-haired class half a dozen dogs which would have undoubtedly greatly added to the interest of the show ring. It was decided to make two classes each of the smooth-haired and wire-haired sections, dogs and bitches being judged separately. "Snowball," the property of Mr. George May, won in the dog class. He is a nice type of terrier, of a good pedigree, and stood well amongst his competitors. His kennel companion West Vale took the other award. Amongst the bitches, Major Impey's Ida was undoubtedly the best shown. The wire-haired class did not contain last year's champion "Coronation," and this was a great loss to the show. Nevertheless the class was still very strong. Amongst the dogs, "Nosey," a fine little terrier belonging to Mr. E. E. Montgomery, was placed first. His pedigree is not stated, but he exhibits all the signs of good breeding and is true to type. Major Impey again carried off the prize for bitches with "Iris," a capital wire-haired terrier. It was a pity in the opinion of the judges that the Airedales and Irish terriers were classed together. It is exceedingly difficult, if not impossible, to judge such a class satisfactorily. Posssibly the paucity of entries accounted for the inclusion of an Irish terrier with three Airedales. At any rate no prize was given, although Captain Hewett's "Ruddy," a nice type of Irish terrier, was highly commended. The Bull terriers were also a good lot, the prize eventually going to "Prince Tuan" belonging to Mr. F. D. McAlpin. It is noticeable that one of the dogs in this class had his ears cropped. This we should have thought would have been sufficient to disqualify him in view of existing rules on that point. The Greyhounds were a fine sporting lot, and Mr. Douglas Bennett as usual turned out with a strong selection from his kennel. In the section for bitches he captured the two awards, a first and third, "with Right 'Un II," a fine bitch, and Mistral. The prize for dogs went to Sam Weller. "Venus," a lovely bitch belonging to Mrs. E. M. E. Duff, was shown altogether out of condition. This is a great pity as she was undoubtedly the best dog in her class and would have won hands down had she looked better in the show ring. Bull dogs were a weak class, and the class for Dachshunds was also weak. "Brownie," belonging to Mr. Prier de Saone, was far and away the best dog entered, but it was altogether out of condition and lost credit on that account. The class for pugs, lap, and toy dogs was a difficult one to judge. The Japanese spaniels were strongly in evidence, but the judges were again severely handicapped by having to place Chinese pugs, Jap spaniels, and a tan toy terrier upon their merits against each other. Lady Jenkins won with "Marco," a pretty little Japanese spaniel, and another dog of the same breed belonging to Miss Crimmin was placed second. Retrievers were a thin class, though all of them shown were not spaniels. The other classes again gave the judges a lot of trouble owing to the variety of the breeds exhibited. Miss Baldwin showed a very nice chow dog and won with it, and another chow belonging to Mr. Anandji Nandji took the third award. Some good pups were exhibited and the prize was won by "Duchess" who had also scored in a previous class. She is a perfect type of terrier breed bitch for India. The cup for the best English or Irish greyhound in the show presented by Mr. Sulleman Cassim Mitha was won by Mr. H. Bulkley with Sam Weller, who was also first in his class. The medallions presented by the Ladies' Kennel Association were won by Mrs Davey's black and tan terrier bitch "Dolley" and Lady Jenkins' Jap spaniel "Marco." The silver medal for British Soldiers dogs presented by the Ladies' Kennel Association was won by Sergt. T. Glendinning's Jack, a nice spaniel, and the special prize given in connection with the Gazette Birthday Stakes, presented by the Northern Indian Kennel Association, was awarded to Mr. Radcliffe's "Bruce." The following are the details :—

SMOOTH-COATED FOX-TERRIERS—Dogs.

Mr George May, Snowball by Champion Blizzard, ex Judy	1
Mr George May, West Valey Halifax Spot ex Univa	2
Major L Impey, Ivo by Ivanhoe ex Indian Maid	3
Mrs F Morris, Costwold Dare Devil by Champion Dreadnought ex Cotswold Molly	0
Mr T L Roberts Jack	0
Mr G Radcliffe, Bruce by Westvale ex Sally	0
Mrs Arthur Wood, Cats by Casper ex Caress	0
Captain Bayford, Oram by Avon Bard ex Silver	0
Captain H Boileau, R's, Brechenharst Terence, by Terence ex Champion Hester Sorrel	0

SMOOTH-COATED FOX-TERRIERS—Bitches.

Major L Impey, Ida by Dreadnought ex Indian Maid	1
Mrs George May, Duchess by Champion Dukedom ex Brian Duff	2
Mr L R Kendall, Queenie	0
Mrs Stanley Paterson, Judy	0
Major to Impey, Indian Maiddy Ch. Don Cæsaria ex Dusky Bride	0
Mr Ananiji Nanji, Gipsy	0

WIRE-HAIRED FOX-TERRIERS.—Dogs.

Mr E E Montgomery, Nosey	1
Captain H H Moore, Bristles by Guess ex Daisy Roysterer	2
Mrs Chitty, Jim by Cotswold Mystery ex Kumaon Vic	3
Miss Hunt, Bobs	0
Mr W H Traill, Buller	0
Mr C A B Beatty Sommerhi II Joker by Knight Errant ex Olcliffe Fidget	0
Mrs Stauber, Pat	0
Captain H H Moore, Whiskers by Guess ex Daisy Roysterer	0

WIRE-HAIRED FOX-TERRIERS—bitch.

Major L Impey, Iris by Dusky Member ex Dusky Tattler	1
Mr W H Traill, Jess	2
Mr I N Metaxa, Guess II by Guess I ex Daisy Roysterer	0
Mr R F R Cooke, Bristlesby Buller ex Jess	0
Mrs F Morris Regan, by Champion Royston Remus ex Haphazard	0
Miss Martin, Poona Sal by Poona Jock ex Sommerhill Broom	0

IRISH TERRIERS AND AIREDALES—Dogs.

Captain Hewett, R I M, Ruddy Irish Terrier Highly commended	0
Mr K ffolliott Powell, Rockferry Wrangler, Airedale, by Wombwell Rattler ex Fascination	0
Mr K ffolliott Powell, Karari Gladiator, Airedale by Rock Ferry Don ex Rock Ferry Coronation	0
Mr K ffolliott Powell, Gipsy Consort, Airedale by Burly Barrister ex Ch. Broadland's Burkey	0

BULL TERRIERS.

Mr F D McAlpin, Prince Tuan by Woodcote Candidate	1
Capt L B Montresor, Birmingham Joe B. by Champion Bend Or ex Birmingham Violet	2
Mrs Deane, Bill of Lambeth by Sam ex Lambeth Countess	0
Mrs Deane, Woodcote Relic B. by Bloomsbury King ex Woodcote Janet	0
Mr G Marchant, Dinah	0

GREYHOUNDS—Dogs.

Mr H Bulkley, Sam Weller	1
Mr H Bulkley, Pol Roger by Iced Wine ex Vic Vic	2
Mrs Alston, Midnight by Outcast ex Melba	0
Mr Douglas Bennett, Master Spot	0
Mr R M Dalal, Royal by Gold Spur ex Water-witch	0
Mr C B Mahomed, King	0
Mr C B Mahomed, Prince	0

GREYHOUNDS Bitches.

Mr Douglas Bennett, Right 'Un II	1
Mrs. E M E Duff, Colleen	2
Mr Douglas Bennett, Mistral	3
Mrs Alston, Lady Margaret	0
Mrs E M E Duff, Venus by Duke, ex Lady Bertie	0
Mrs E M E Duff, Lady Bretie	0

BULL DOGS.

Mr N M Goculdas, Squire	1
Mr J K Tarachund, Tukon by What Ho Bob ex Klondike Nugget	2
Mr W A Thurman, Waittie by Bicester Duke ex Newbridge Ivy Leaf	0

DACHSHUNDS.

Miss Barton, Fritz	1
Mr R W L Dunlop, Chang	2
Mr G Prier de Saone, Brownie	0

PUG, LAP AND TOY DOGS.

Lady Jenkins, Marco, Jap Spaniel	1
Miss Crimmin, Kobe, Jap Spaniel	2
Captain G Boileau, Maria Chinese Pug Highly commended.	
Mrs Flewher, Jap, Jap Spaniel	0
Mrs J H Davey, Dolly, Toy Terrier by Jack the Dandy ex Ladysmith	0
Mrs Flewher, Mimosa Jap Spaniel	0
Captain E R Robinson, Pigs, Jap Poodle	0

SPANIELS AND RETRIEVERS.

Captain Robinson, Flurry by Busy ex Beechgrove Beauty	1
Mr H Bulkley, Bizzie, Cocker Spaniel	2
Mr H Bulkley, Boss, Cocker Spaniel	3
Mr C F Stevens, Dash Bl and Tan Spaniel, Very highly commended	
Lce-Corpl Blake, Fagan Field Spaniel	0

OTHER BREEDS NOT ENTERED IN CLASSES 1 TO 10.

Miss Baldvin, Nero (Chow)	1
Capt. J. G. Griffith, Flo (Whippett) by Top ex Trueblue	2
Mr. Anandji Nandji, Tobby (Chow)	3
Lady Jenkins, Bruno (Austrian Boar-hound)	0
Mr. Salvadore Colonello, Vezia (St. Bernard)	0
Mrs. Lionel Worgan Ninon, (French Poodle)	0
Major A. Carr, Gollan Peace (Scotch Terrier) by Camowess Claymore ex Craigvarran	0
Capt. J. G. Griffith, Swift (Whippett), by Swift ex Fly	0
Mr. N P. Shemain, Jewel	0
Mr. N. P. Shemain, Ratter	0
The Prince of Orcha, General Buller (Pomeranian)	0
Lady Jenkins, Nora	0
Mrs. F. Norton Giles, Minnie (Black and Tan Terrier)	0

BEST PUP IN SHOW UNDER 12 MONTHS.

Mrs. Geo. May, Duchess, 11 ms, by Ch. Dukedom, ex Brian Duff	1
Mr. E. G. Montgomery, Nosey 8 ms	2
Major L. Impey, Ivo, 7 ms, by Ivanhoe ex Indian Maid	3
Major L. Impey, Iris, by Dusky Member ex Dusky Tattler	0
Mrs. Deane, Woodcote Relic, 11 ms, by Bloomsbury King ex Woodcote Janet	0
Miss Florence May Jess, 8 ms, by Westvale ex Sally	0
Captain G. Griffith, Demon 3 1-2 ms, by Swife ex Flo	0
Mr. R. F. R Cooke, Bristles 4 1-2 ms., by Buller ex Jess	0
Mr G. Radcliffe, Bruce 7 1-2 ms., by Westvale ex Sally	0
Mr. K. ffolliott Powell, Karari Gleadiator, 10 ms., by Rockferry Don ex Rockferry Coronation	0
Mr. K. ffolliott Powell, Karari Gleasner, 8 ms., by Wellingbro' Gambler ex Wellingbro Bloom	0
Capt Robinson, Flurry, 9 ms., by Busy ex Beechgrove Beauty	0
Capt. H. M. Moore, Bristles 9 ms., by Guess ex Daisy Roysterer	0
Capt. H. M. Moore, Whiskers 9 ms. by Guess ex Daisy Roysterer	0
Mr. W. M. Watson Tom, 5 ms.	0
Miss McAlpin, Toby 8ms.	0

BRITISH SOLDIERS' DOGS.

Sergt T Glendinning, Cheshire Regt, Jack, Spaniel	1
Sergt A James, Cheshire Sergs, Bogle, Terrier	2
Cr.-Sergt A Brashaw, Cheshire Regt, Spot, Fox-terrier	0
Sergt A James, Cheshire Regt, Jack, Fox-terrier	0
Col.-Sergt J Reilly, Cheshire Regt, Fido, Spaniel	0

GAZETTE BIRTHDAY STAKES.

Major L Impey, Fox-terrier Pups	1
Mr G May, Jess, Fox-terrier	2
Mr G Radcliffe, Trip, Fox-terrier	3

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS will give the last performance in Bombay to-morrow night, so that few opportunities now remain of attening the entertainment. To-night the performance will be for the benefit Madame Harmstone Love and by special request the riding contest which proved so attractive last week will be repeated. To-morrow the usual children's matinee will be held when gold and silver watches will be given away, and to-morrow night, the last performance of the present season, a horse and bicycle will be given away amongst the audience. Trophies will also be presented to the winning jockey and trainer in the Byculla Club cup race.

AGA KHAN HOCKEY TOURNAMENT.

IN connection with the Bombay High Schools Athletic Association, a Hockey match was played between the Grant Road Proprietary and Fort H. School and the New High School, on Wednesday on the Elphinstone High School ground, and resulted in a win for the Proprietary School by 2 goals to nil.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

GOLF AS A WOMAN'S PASTIME.

QUAINT DRESSES FOR BRIDESMAIDS.

FUR TRIMMINGS FOR HATS.

LONDON, JANUARY. 29.

Golf has well been named the "Royal" game, for it is one of which its votaries never tire. Of late years it has largely been taken up by the "gent'er sex," with whom it grows increasingly popular. This fact is amply attested by the history of the Ladies' Golf Union, first formed eleven years ago, and now having nearly a hundred associated women's clubs in all parts of the United Kingdom. Undoubtedly, golf, as a pastime for women and girls has many advantages. In the first place, it draws them from the fireside and the latest novel to the superior attractions of the fresh air. And, when on the course, the most delicate damsel finds herself capable of performing wonders in the way of "covering" so many miles per diem, accomplishing feats undreamed of in ordinary, objectless promenade. The swinging of the clubs in golf has, too, all the beneficial results of dumb-bell exercise, teaching the operator to breathe, and promoting the circulation. From the beauty point of view, the advantages of the game are perceived in the improvement of the complexion, the brightening of the eyes, the development of the arms, and the general improvement of the figure. The golf girl is invariably graceful, too, for the many "attitudes" adopted on the course has taught her the lesson to hold and to carry herself correctly. Undoubtedly, the introduction of the game has resulted in a healthier, hardier womanhood and, for this reason, it should be encouraged by fathers and brothers. At one time it seemed generally to be taken for granted that girl golfers were necessarily inferior to their male kind, but nowadays this supposition is exploded, some of the most brilliant records having been achieved by members of the weaker sex. Then women enter boldly into competition with the men golfers, when very often they are able to distinguish themselves. That men have taken the lady golfer with sufficient seriousness is shown by the fact that very often she shares the use of their clubhouse, forming in herself a branch association. The question of dress is always one of importance in connection with a woman's sport,

The lady golfer has found a satisfactory solution of the problem in a loose-fitting blouse, or jersey, and short neat skirt, whilst stout shoes—the chief recommendation of which must be their capacity to withstand the damp—complete the get-up. Many leading players have discarded the use of the corset altogether, as they declare that it hinders any freedom of stroke. The close-fitting jersey is perhaps the garment most favoured at the moment by the business-like player, who also dons the useful Tam-o'-Shanter when on golfing bent. As a rule women are popularly supposed to be less scrupulously honest than men in playing games, but the authorities are agreed that the golf woman is a model of integrity in this direction. One of the advantages of the game is that it can be played in every one of the four seasons. In embarking on the pastime golf, it is most important to begin correctly for it is far more difficult to unlearn than learn, and faults acquired in the beginning are especially hard to rectify. It has well been said that the great charm of the hobby lies in the fact that no one ever feels himself or herself to be an adept player. For, the more one progresses with the game the further one's ideals advances, and the more distant seems the perfection one is ever seeking. One of the principal reasons why golf is particularly suitable for women is that physical strength is not necessarily an advantage, since the small boy, having the knack of when and where to hit the ball, is capable of driving as far as the most muscular player. Many women in point of fact, are easily able to outdrive the ordinary man, whilst with masculine players, grandfathers have been known to prove their grandchildren's victors on the course.

In commencing, it is always advisable to take a few lessons, to enable one to obviate the initial mistakes of the beginner. For, as in all other games there is a right and a wrong way of playing every shot in golf, and, although no two individuals will ultimately play alike, each has to start from the same foundation. The golf aspirant should furnish herself with five clubs, these being the driver, mashie, putter, cleek, and brassie respectively. Though the number and diversity of those mysterious implements may seem at first bewildering to the learner, she soon perceives that each one has its distinct use. For example, the driver is employed to gain the greatest possible distance, the mashie being used to get the ball out of trouble, to play short shots, and to gain the green from short distances. Then the putter is handy when on or nearly on the green, it being used to put the ball into the hole. Although this portion of the game would appear to the onlooker to be the simplest part of all, it is in reality the most difficult, as the pupil very soon discovers. For, as a sage once remarked, the person who can put, can beat the world. A great deal is, of course, to be learned as to the correct manner of handling one's weapons. For instance, the ordinary woman on first grasping a driver, holds it as she would a broom, and it takes quite a lot of practice to get her to wield the weapon properly. Women experts have been known to drive 200 yards with this club, but such feats are distinctly in the minority, the average woman scoring about 120. After the rudiments have been thoroughly acquired, the soundest advice to offer the beginner is to go out and watch other players, for one's own hopes of success entirely lie in watching and following the methods of the adept.

Bridesmaids' frocks are legion, and each one seems prettier than the last. Variety is the keynote and given the gamut of past and present fashions. there is little difficulty to find something suitable for purse and taste. One may go in for appalling elaboration or for studied simplicity may wear richest velours, real Venetian point or gorgeous jewelled embroideries, or be quite correct in crepe de Chine mousseline or silk, voile with trimming of simple ruchings tuckings and frills. There are innumerable soft fabrics eminently adapted for baidesmaids' frocks yet comparatively inexpensive. The wool voiles in fine quality are also popular, but have not the gleaming lustre of the silk. Poplinette crepe de Paris, and a number of new crepe-like weaves in silk and wool are both serviceable and pretty; and, though not so dainty as chiffons mousselines, tulles, etc., will in the long run—by their run must be long—prove preferable to the more perishable fabrics. Then there is the universal favourite crepe de Chine, which, though it does not wear so well as the materials already mentioned, yet combines considerable durability with a maximum of beauty. Slight variations in the original crepe de Chine, are constantly being put forward, and many of them are very beautiful. Crepe Ninon is one of the successful innovations, and crepe Olga, much heavier, yet retaining the softness and lustre, is one the most durable and lovely of the new materials. India and China silks in fine quality are particularly attractive for the bridesmaid who cannot afford the perishable mousseline or chiffon. The very soft taffetas, ruched and lace-trimmed, are most useful frocks. Velvet except as a trimming or in fancy dress, is not much favoured by bridesmaids; but Velours suppline, a fine silk supple velvet, with mirorr finish is popular in Paris.

Among the panne silks there is a wide assortment, and those of pompadour suggestion are likely to be popular. The square bow, finishing the girdle just below the bust, is one of the new touches, and gives opportunity for a brilliant motif of colour. Frequently a small round or square buckle of gold or brilliants is placed in the centre of bow, Another use for the little square bow full of loops is found upon the skirts, which apparently open down the front, yet do not flare to show an under-petticoat. The simulted opening is only a trimming device and as a rule narrow bands of ribbon, braid, lace, or fur run up either side of the opened front which is held the whole length of the skirt by the little soft blunt bows of Liberty satin or velvet. Many frills and horizontal trimmings decorate the silk frocks, but the wool skirts show more and more tendency to long lines and flat trimming. The fulness has crept up the skirt and instead of a flare beginning at the knees or below, the really up-to-date skirt, begins to take on voluminous fulness about halfway between waist and knee, and is very hard to cut correctly. Some of the new skirts, fulled in at the waist are sharply gored to just below the hip-line so that the fulness plaited in at the band and over the hips need not be bulky, yet there may be ample fulness for fully two-thirds of the skirt length. Three deep tucks have been a popular skirt finish but a pretty variation of the idea may be made by setting heavy lace on Oriental embroidered mateial in between the tucks. The flat deep hem of velvet, embroidery, or of material contrasting in nap with the frock material, but agreeing or harmonising with the latter in colour, is another trimming much fancied for the straight full skirt. For the bridesmaid who is to wear the 1830 dress—which, incidentally, will be very popular in the dainty summer materials—will require the round model skirt for her frills and flounces. Flat appliqué designs of velvet or cloth, often running up as high as the knees, belong to the group of smart flat trimmings. A tiny line of flat gold braid edging trimming bands of velvet is also effective. The surplice idea is introduced upon gowns of all kinds, from cloth to mousseline and with a quimpe of lace, this folded bodice offers a simple solution of the bodice problem. The velvet trimmed cloth or taffetas gown would be a useful bridesmaid's dress. With long pointed epaulettes and surplice fronts bordered with braided velvet, it might easily be carried out by a home dressmaker—this is one of the newest ideas.

Dame fashion has ordained two revivals in millinery circles One is the feather hat, the other the fur one. Perhaps the greatest charm of fur is its adaptability for almost every sort of occasion The small toque of dark-hued fur is eminently correct for morning wear, while the plume-trimmed ermine hat gives the finishing touch of elegance to the evening toilet. But the most striking feature of these fur hats is not the fur itself, but the materials which are combined with it. Gauzy lace is edged with fur, and winter and summer meet on the fur hat which is rose wreathed. There no limit to the combinations which are being worn, each with the sanction of good taste. They are dictated by the desire to attain individuality, and they do not fail in their object. Moleskin is a close rival of ermine in the millinery field. For the daytime wear it can be even said to have attained the superiority. A pretty moleskin hat, is built somewhat on the lines of an old-fashioned poke, though with a more decided front flare. The soft fur furnishes a pretty background for the face, whether it be young or old. The under brim has no further adornment But the crown and outer brim seem at first glance a chaos of fur, lace and feathers. Closer inspection reveals the metier of the creation. Cream lace has been artistically appliqued on the fur, and in the nest so formed rest several small black and white birds. They are of a variety which never flew on sea or land, but they look marvellously in place on the soft grey fur. The brim fits snugly to the hair in the back, provided it is worn low, after the prevailing fashion.

MOTORING AND CYCLING AT HOME.

LONDON, JANUARY 30.

Many cars are running still whose "number plates" consist merely of the registration numerals roughly chalked on the

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ONE of the most interesting figures at the Herbert-Paget wedding was that of the bridegroom's grandmother, Lady Herbert of Lea, who has been for a whole generation one of the leaders of English Catholic society. It is not far from sixty years since she married Sidney Herbert, the well-known War Minister of the fifties, and one of the handsomest and most distinguished men of his time, who has transmitted his good looks and popularity to his children. It was Sidney Herbert who built, about the time of his marriage, the sumptuous Lombardic church near Wilton House, his Wiltshire seat, with its tall campanile, rich mosaics, hanging lamps of embossed brass and splendid tombs of alabaster and coloured marbles.

Sidney Herbert was raised to the peerage in 1861, and died in the same year, when his title was merged in the Earldom of Pembroke, which had already absorbed two other Herbert baronies, those of Cardiff and Shurland. His widow, who has survived him for forty-three years, spends a good many months in Rome, living the rest of the year at Herbert House, the big mansion in Chesham Place in which she has written most of her books, nearly all of a religious kind. Herbert House, which has long been a centre of religious and charitable work, was painted bright red a good many years ago, when such brilliantly-hued mansions were less common in London than they are to-day; and in allusion to the perfervid zeal of its owner, it used to be playfully dubbed the 'House of the Scarlet Lady."

Lady Herbert's only surviving son the present Lord Pembroke, enjoyed for some years the reputation of being the best-looking and best-dressed man in the House of Commons. His elder brother and predecessor, the thirteenth earl was the tallest man in the House of Lords, and his sister, Lady de Grey, is one of the tallest as well as of the most beautiful woman in Society. Lady Herbert herself has retained in her old age much of the grace and charm of manner which fascinated Bishop Wilberforce when he met Sidney Herbert and his very nice new wife at Belvoir in the forties. She is a very pleasing, lively-spirited person, wrote his Lordship to Miss Noel, on March 4, 1847, with a great deal of pathos, very pretty and pleasing, and (I think) good.

I was on active service at Warwick on Tuesday, (writes the lady representative of Al. A. P.) and also did duty on Thursday afternoon in St. Peter's, Eaton Square, when Lord Herbert was married to Miss Beatrice Paget. Miss Winifred Paget and Miss Ethel Gerard, both engaged girls, were bridesmaids at each ceremony. Lady Warwick's little son figured at Bath as a page, and Lord Ingestre was again one of the ushers. His marriage with the elder Miss Paget is dated for April.

Miss Beatrice Paget, a tall, graceful, and pretty girl with an expression of great amiability, elected to wear and almost unadorned satin Court train with her embroidered crepe-de-Chine dress. A magnificent sapphire and diamond pendant was her principal ornament, and an immense bouquet of lilies-of-the-valley, given by the detachment of the bridegroom's regiment which lined the aisle, had long streamers of red and dark blue ribbon. No lace appeared on gown or train, but the Brussels veil worn by every bride who enters or leaves the Pembroke family once more saw the light. It is an exquisite piece of lace, quite yellow with age. Mr. Charles Paget, the very good-looking young brother of the bride, gave her away. He is, as matters stand, likely to be next Marquis of Anglesey.

The eight grown up bridesmaids wore accordion-pleated white roses and pale blue hats with the universal shaded ostrich feathers. They had big corsage trails of pink roses, and white and blue prayer-books. Two tiny girls assisted the two pages to bear the bride's train. The Bishop of Salisbury, Dr. Edgar Sheppard were the principal clergymen, and among those who took part in the beautiful choral service were singers who a little earlier had participated in the memorial service for Admiral Sir Henry Keppel at the Chapel Royal.

ST. PETER'S had the usual festive decorations of palms and white flowers. It was a novelty to receive the favours from boy relatives of bride and bridegroom, and, as was the case when Lady Beatrix Wilkinson was married, these favours consisted of artificial orange-blossoms. One of the two State trumpeters who accompanied the party of Blues had several of the floral offerings arranged about his gold coat. Crossed swords formed an archway as Lord and Lady Herbert passed through the outer aisle. Lord Herbert is a shade shorter than his wife and so far resembles both parents as to be among the handsomest of recent Benedicks. He is dark, with the fine, expressive eyes that render the sons and daughters of Lord and Lady Pembroke so easily recognisable.

A cab accident dislocated the traffic temporarily just as the wedding was over, and one sadly witnessed the ruin wrought to gold shoes as bridesmaids wondered along the muddy pavements in search of their broughams. The King, who has given innumerable wedding presents lately, sent a diamond and ruby pin and an autograph card to Lord Herbert. The Aga Khan gave the bride a wonderful jewelled collar, and a turquoise necklace came from a syndicate of girl friends.

There is nothing particularly impressive about M. Combes, the French Premier, until, as in the Chamber the other day, he feels himself in danger and makes up his mind to come out of the fray victorious. Interpellated from all points of the Palais Bourbon over the expulsion of the Abbe Deisor M. Combes found himself in a critical position and strangers could have feared for him had they seen quite a little man of medium height, with white hair, white moustache, a white Imperial a veritable little bourgeois approach the tribune to baffle his adversaries and save the Government. No need for fear, however: although M. Combes is no orator, he speaks with calm. He can be mocking and satirical, his speeches are remarkable for their common sense, and then he is not in the least put out by interruption indeed, when his adversaries slammed the lids of their desks, blew whistles, shouted threats and abuse, M. Combes remained cool and complacent in the tribune and watched the noisy deputies with imperturbable composure.

At one time of the afternoon M. Combes was unable to make himself heard for fully fifteen minutes; so he merely sipped his sugared water and waited until the tumult had subsided before continuing his speech. Deputies say that this was one of the noisiest on record. Whistles were introduced for the first time, and through the din no one heard the ringing of the President's bell! But M. Combes kept his head; looked hither and thither, looked up also into the public tribunes where well-dressed and elegant ladies were screaming with laughter and the reporters were shouting and quarrelling and generally adding to the din. A memorable scene, and one that must be considered a veritable triumph for M. Combes. When the Government was pronounced victorious by a majority of 52, the Premier was surrounded by his supporters and warmly congratulated. He had to shake scores of hands and acknowledge scores of compliments ere he was allowed to leave the Chamber.

Mr. Krishnavarma, the Indian gentleman who, at the funeral of Mr. Herbert Spencer, offered £1,000 to found a Spencer Lectureship in token of his gratitude to the illustrious philosopher, is say M. A. P. a tall, well-built, genial Hindu gentleman, still on the [redacted] side of fifty, who has had a distinguished career as a Bombay Presidency, he was educated according to the ancient Hindu method, the dominant feature of which is memorising. Devoting himself from his early days to the study of Sanskrit according to this system, he knows by heart many important works of Sanskrit literature, speaking and writings the language to perfection. It was his reputation in India as a Sanskrit scholar that first brought the young student to the knowledge of Sir Monier Williams, then Boden Professor of Sanskrit at the University of Oxford. The English Orientalist was so impressed with Mr. Krishnavarma's attainments that the young Indian became his assistant at Oxford.

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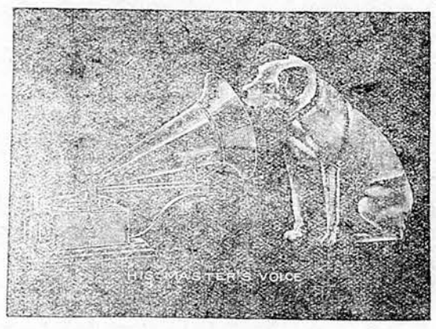

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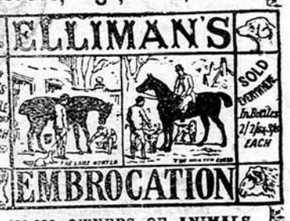

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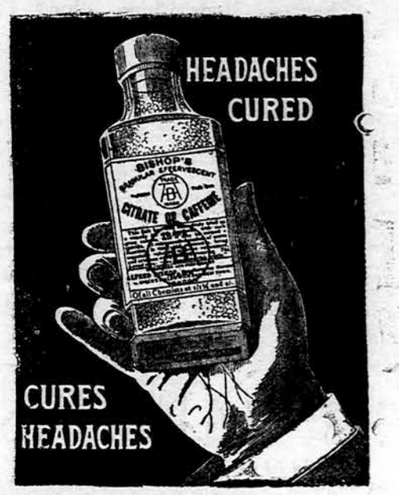

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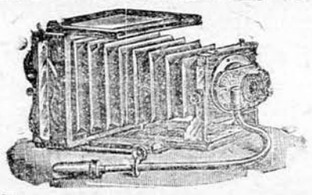

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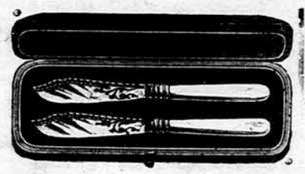

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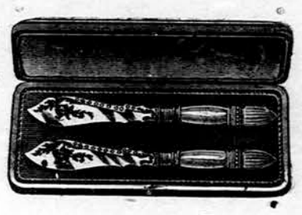

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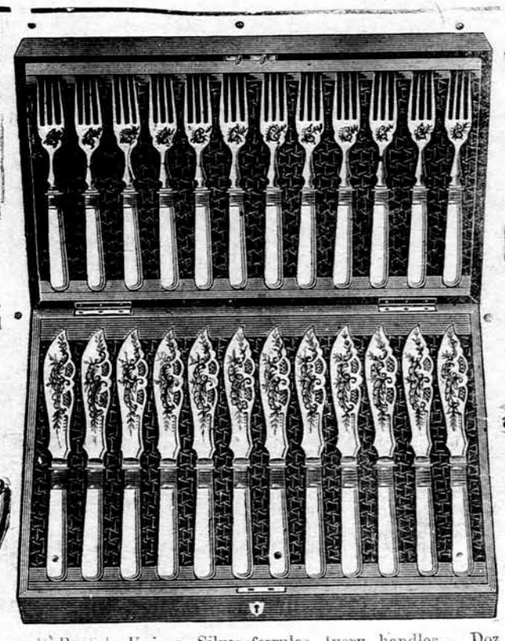

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